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CANTON CLAIMS REPULSE OF KWANGSI INVADERS.

AIR RAID PROTESTS.

Canton, Dec. 6.

A battle is being fought at Lupao, on the Bamboo River, within 25 miles of Canton, between the Cantonese forces and the Kwangsi troops. The Cantonese claim to have driven the enemy back about three or four miles.

The battle apparently commenced about 4 p.m. yesterday and continued well into the night. Further fighting is reported to-day, though it is impossible to learn what is happening or whether the Cantonese claims of victory are correct.

Here in Canton the situation is more tense. Wounded continue to arrive in the city. Martial law is strongly enforced and hardly a soul is to be seen in the streets at night. Many motor cars and motor buses have been commandeered by the military authorities.

Change of Route.

It is evident that the Kwangsi troops are trying to cross the country towards Tsing Yuen, with the idea of attacking Canton from the north and north-east. They evidently found the defences in the West River District around Samsui too strong.

Meanwhile, further troops have arrived from the North. Three more transports came into port last evening about 5 p.m. with a large number of troops of the 8th Division.

The Northern troops arriving during the past week must now total in the region of 40,000 men. Some more gunboats of the 2nd Naval Squadron have also arrived in port, and more still are on the way down.

Petty Jealousy.

Certainly in numbers, the Cantonese forces far exceed the armies of the Kwangsi leaders and the Ironsides of General Chang Fat-wei, and they should be able not only to defend Canton against the attacks of the invaders, but also to follow up their victories and exterminate the rebels.

However, the danger seems to lie rather amongst themselves; it is reported that amongst the lower commanders there is a good deal of petty jealousy and discontent, and it is possible that given the necessary inducements, a number of them might go over to the rebels.

In this connexion it might be mentioned that it is just reported that General Ho Ying-ching, who has recently arrived from Nanking and has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of all the Cantonese forces and the Northern reinforcements, has just transferred his headquarters from the Military Headquarters in Canton to the Cement Works in Honan, on account of alleged slight differences of opinion with the local military.

People Resent Raids.

Furthermore, it is reported that in the country public opinion is being turned against the Cantonese on account of their indiscriminate bombing of all towns and villages behind the enemy lines, whether there are military objectives or not. The people protest against this form of warfare.

However, in this connexion, it is reported that indiscriminate bombing is now ceasing and that the aeroplanes are concentrating their attention on dropping propaganda leaflets over the enemy lines in the towns and villages in enemy territory.

Official Confidence.

Official circles here maintain that they are absolutely confident as to the ultimate victory of the Cantonese forces. Amongst the Cantonese forces, amongst the

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HEROIC RESCUE EPISODE.

"ADELE MARIE" BATTLES A FURIOUS GALE.

SUPERB SEAMANSHIP.

London, Dec. 6.

Five survivors from the local steamer "Frances Duncan," which turned turtle off Land's End in yesterday's terrific gale, sixteen of her crew being drowned, were brought into Brixham, Devon, to-day, by the small Newcastle steamer Adele Marie.

Although injured and exhausted, they were anxious to make known the gallantry of Captain Blaylock and the crew of the "Adele Marie" and the superb seamanship with which she was handled. They stated that while she manoeuvred to get near the capsized steamer, the "Adele Marie" was not only continuously in grave danger from the mountainous seas which swept over her, but had to get perilously near to the Longship's Rock.

The Adele Marie had to make many attempts before she could get a line to the five men clinging to the top of the wreck and immediately they had been taken off, the wreck sank.

The survivors included the Captain who is unable to swim. The weather forecast promises further severe southerly gales, particularly in the southern Irish Sea, the English Channel and the Southern North Sea.—British Wireless.

STRIKE & RIOTING IN HAITI.

AMERICANS AND NATIVES ARE INJURED.

POSITION SERIOUS.

New York, Dec. 6.

The proclamation of martial law in Haiti was made by Colonel Cuts, the Commander of the United States Marines.

This step was taken after a strike of Customs House workers, following the discharge of a Haitian Customs employee, which was accompanied by rioting in which two Americans and many natives were injured.

United States Marines patrolled the streets of Port-au-Prince and Cape Haiti last night.—Reuter's American Service.

Washington, Dec. 6. Mr. H. L. Stimson, the Secretary of State, describes the situation at Haiti as being most serious.—Reuter's American Service.

Port-au-Prince, Dec. 6. The situation throughout Haiti is reported to be quite serious. Several slight outbreaks have been suppressed, and martial law is at present confined to the capital and to Cape Haiti.—Reuter.

POLISH POLITICAL UNREST.

GOVERNMENT LIKELY TO RESIGN.

Warsaw, Dec. 6.

The Diet has adopted a vote of no-confidence in the Government and it is practically certain that the Government will resign.

All is quiet here, the populace being entirely indifferent to the proceedings.—Reuter.

BUY MORE COTTON GOODS.

EUROPEAN PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN.

London, Dec. 6.

The International Federation of Master Cotton Spinners and Manufacturers Associations have decided to launch simultaneously in all countries in Europe a publicity campaign urging the public to "Buy More Cotton Goods."—Reuter.

The Gazette publishes a list of holidays for the coming year. There is one Public Holiday (Empire Day) and sixteen General Holidays.

FRESH OUTBREAK OF CIVIL WAR.

THREAT TO PRESENT NANKING REGIME.

CHIANG KAI-SHEK CAUGHT UNEXPECTEDLY?

ATTACK ON CAPITAL?

Shanghai, Dec. 6.

The fresh outbreak of civil war in central China, following immediately upon the supposed suppression of the Kuomintang, is thought in well-informed circles to presage the end of the present regime in Nanking.

The most serious defection from Nanking's point of view is that of Tang Seng-chi, and it is stated that well over 100,000 men are now in arms against Chiang Kai-shek, the position being highly grave owing to the threat of an early attack on the Capital.

Chiang Kai-shek is hastily organising his forces to resist the new crisis, but doubt is expressed regarding his ability to place trust in certain of his commanders or to get a sufficient concentration of forces in the vicinity of Nanking to prevent its capture.

The Rebels.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has received cables from Generals Tang Seng-chi, Han Fu-chu, Mi Hung-wei and several other Commanders who definitely express their discontent with the present regime, demanding an invitation from Nanking to Marshal Yen Hsi-shan and Mr. Wang Ching-wei, the leader of the Kuomintang Leftist Party, to take over the administration of the National Government. The cables state their full sympathy with the Kuomintang and Pukow Kuomintang mutineers. The cables are tantamount to a demand for the resignation of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek.

Martial Law in Nanking. The National Government declared a state of martial law at Nanking this evening at nine o'clock.

According to Japanese sources, the National Government may find it necessary to give up the capital if further troops are going into the insurgents against the Government. Chiang Kai-shek is now mobilising every available loyal soldier in Kiangsu, Anhui, Honan and Hupeh and is expected to offer strong resistance to the Kuomintang and allied rebels.

Foreigners in Nanking are perturbed on account of the fact that Nanking is practically denuded of troops at present.

It is generally believed that General Shih Yu-san and Han Fu-chu, the two Kuomintang commanders who announced hostilities against Nanking to-day, command a joint army of 40,000 men, while General Tang Seng-chi is understood to have a following of over 200,000 men strong.

Generals Kuo Chiu-tung and Chiang Ting-wan at Hankow have been requested to send 10,000 troops to reinforce the defenders of Nanking, and the Tientsin-Pukow Railway.

Trenches Around Nanking.

In anticipation of an attack by the Kuomintang from Pengpu and elsewhere along the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has ordered the Nanking cadets to erect extensive fortifications and trenches at Wuyi, a town about 20 miles to the north-west of Pukow along the Tientsin-Pukow Railway.

Fighting Near Ichang.

Hankow, Dec. 6.

Yesterday traffic on the Peking-Hankow railway was again suspended, and the Peking express failed to arrive, but it is officially stated that this was merely because of the congestion of troops withdrawing from Honan.

Part of the First Division was despatched to Ichang yesterday, where heavy fighting is going on fifteen miles below the town between Government forces and the rebels, while it is learned that the entire Second and Ninth Divisions are being despatched to Pukow to deal with the situation there.—Reuter.

THE SINO-RUSSIAN PROTOCOL.

NANKING GOVERNMENT GIVE THEIR APPROVAL.

EGYPTIAN APPEAL!

Tokyo, Dec. 6.

The Rengo Agency's correspondent at Mukden cables that the Protocol signed at Nikolsk between Mr. Tan Yun-shen on behalf of the Mukden Government, and M. Simanovsky, on behalf of the Soviet Government, has been approved by the Nanking Government.

From Harbin, the Rengo Agency learns that the C.E.R. administration has been informally advised that Lu Jung-huan, the Tuppen of the C.E.R., and Chang Chin-hui, the Governor of Harbin, have been relieved of their posts in accordance with the Sino-Soviet protocol.

Liu Shang-ching will be appointed Tuppen and Mo To-hui Governor.—Reuter.

Paris, Dec. 6.

The Egyptian Ministry in Paris, on the instructions of the Government of Egypt (one of the signatories to the Kellogg Pact) has communicated to the Chinese and Russian Governments through their diplomatic representatives in Paris, an appeal for peaceful settlement of their differences.—Reuter.

Warsaw Fracas.

Warsaw, Dec. 6.

Communist demonstrators yesterday evening smashed windows at the United States Consulate, and shouted abusive protests against America's intervention in the Russo-Chinese dispute. They fired revolvers at the police. Several demonstrators were arrested, and several people were hurt in the scuffle.—Reuter.

PEACE IN LABOUR PARTY?

AIR CLEARED AT SPECIAL CONFERENCE.

THE "DOLE" QUARREL.

London, Dec. 6.

There is reason to hope that the air has been cleared regarding the unemployment dole discussion as a result of much frank speaking at a meeting to-day of the Parliamentary Labour Party attended by the Prime Minister, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, and the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Philip Snowden.

Mr. Snowden emphasised that no more money was available for the purposes of the Unemployment Insurance Bill.

He indicated that the Government was anxious to meet the wishes of the rank and file provided these wishes could be accomplished without increasing the financial commitments.

The meeting resolved not to press for further financial amendments, but to co-operate to ensure the speedy passage of the Bill.

Meanwhile, the left-wingers' pressure on the Government in the House of Commons last night on the much-disputed provision of the Unemployment Insurance Bill as regards "genuinely seeking work" claimants for the dole, has ended by Miss Margaret Bondfield agreeing to withdraw Clause Four of the Bill with a view to re-drafting it. This was the suggestion of Mr. Baldwin, after seven hours of wrangling.—Reuter.

BRITISH STAINLESS STEEL PLATING.

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London, Dec. 6.

An important advance in the construction of British flying boats is being made by the substitution of a special stainless steel plating which resists salt water corrosion for duralumin which has hitherto been used and which is prone to salt water action.

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NEW ALLEGATIONS IN HATRY CASE.

SHARE FRAUD TRIAL SENSATION.

CHARGES INVOLVE A TOTAL OF OVER £2,000,000.

STRENGTH OF THE LAW

London, Dec. 6.

The case arising out of the sensational collapse of the Hatry concerns continues to develop.

When the trial was re-opened at the Guildhall to-day, Counsel for the Prosecution (Mr. H. D. Roome, the Treasury Counsel) announced four further charges against the four defendants, involving a total of £1,350,000 in connexion with Iron Industries, Limited.—Reuter.

The defendants are:—

Clarence Charles Hatry, aged 40, of Great Stanhope-street, W. financier;

Edmund Daniels, aged 31, of Kingston Avenue, Leatherhead, company director;

Albert Edward Tubor, aged 36, of Woodfield-lane, Ashted, Surrey, company director; and

John Graham Goodfellow Dixon, aged 37, of Temple-avenue, Oakleigh Park, N., company director and secretary.

Original Charges.

The original charges against them were that between July 1 and September 20 they conspired together to obtain £200,141 by false pretences, and with intent to defraud, from George Ireland Russell, acting on behalf of the Porchester Trust, Ltd., and further that they obtained £200,141 by that conspiracy.

The stocks of three public bodies are involved in the case—the Corporations of Wakefield, Gloucester, and Swindon—for whom one of the Hatry companies, the Corporation and General Securities, Ltd., acted in the raising of loans.

It is alleged that spurious scrip for certain stocks of these Corporations was printed—it was described by Mr. Roome as "a shocking fraud"—and used as valuable securities.

Mr. Roome intimated that there would be further charges in respect of the Gloucester and Swindon loans.

Liability of Defendants.

He said that men had been ruined by the action of Hatry and his associates, and he pointed out that a person who was a party to uttering such spurious securities with intent to defraud was liable to 14 years' penal servitude.

A statement said to have been made by Hatry, and which led to the arrests, was read, in this Hatry, it was alleged, said that he was "primarily responsible for the present state of affairs."

Case for the Prosecution.

Mr. Roome, in opening the case, said that the four defendants appeared to answer charges of fraud which were preferred against them in consequence of their voluntary statement. That statement was correct in the substance, but not in detail, so that the present charges would require some amendment when the full facts of the case were before the Court.

Hatry was chairman and managing director of the Austin Friars Trust Limited, a company at all material times carrying on business as financiers, underwriters, and issuing house, with registered offices in Pinners' Hall, Austin Friars. The other defendants were also directors.

There was a second company which would be prominently before the Court throughout the case, known as the Corporation and General Securities, Ltd., which company Hatry was the deputy chairman, Daniels managing director, Tubor manager, and Dixon secretary. That company issued loans on behalf of municipal corporations and public bodies.

"Shocking Fraud."

On January 15, he said, prospectuses were sent to the public by the Corporation and General Securities, Ltd., for the City of Wakefield Corporation Loan of £750,000 at 4½ per cent., the issuing price being 98.

The issue was fully subscribed by public applications and by conversions. The necessary allotment list and scrip certificates (Continued on Page 10.)

Bulls and Innors

From the Office Butts.

Public car-drivers complain that this widening of Garden Road is going to make it even more difficult to knock pedestrians down.

We hear of an Aberdonian who wanted the Queen's Theatre Lish. We are assured that this management to charge him half-price at a "talkie" show, provided at his promise not to listen.

A London tea merchant has just died leaving a big fortune. That shows what tea leaves.

A large number of drinking vessels have been discovered amongst ancient ruins in Egypt. They are believed to be of prehistoric origin.

We presume the reason why so many Colonels are white-haired is that old soldiers never dye!

A Taipe horseowner has been bound over to keep the peace. We understand that he has a pony which also takes the bit.

"Tam" Pearce seems to have been justified in regarding that fictitious account as fishy.

Now the season is over we may remark that the trouble with these moonlight bathing parties, is that some fool wants to bathe!

The Ironsides are said to possess wonderful shock troops. This probably explains why they seem to move about the country like lightning.

Why says Scotsmen are mean? A dozen at Sharnah were hosts to 250 people on St. Andrew's Night.

We read that one of the Derby runners is to appear in a new talking film. This should enable punters to get something straight from the horse's mouth.

Macno is thinking of abolishing lotteries. That's the ticket!

A woman writer says men nowadays think more of money than marriage. So it seems that gentlemen prefer bonds!

We notice that at a local concert for children, "Adults will be admitted." It really is astonishing how precocious our grown-ups are becoming!

Who says Hongkong men are not polite? We saw one push a lady off the Peak Tram and then say "sorry."

It would be more appropriate for some people to keep a loose-life diary.

Mary and Doug. have come to Hongkong. And Oh how the flappers were thrilled. Down to the wharf they hurried along.

Young ones and old ones—a wonderful throng. For the hero they love to see "billed." For the work at the office they cared not a fig; And each gave her shoulder a shrug.

To push and to shove may be quite *infra dig*. But not when you're in for a Doug!

For sheer enterprise commend us to the paper which announced the engagement of a local couple the day after it had reported the actual wedding.

These high rents have a lowering effect on your banking account.

Four fishmongers have been fined for exceeding the limit of their stalls. They evidently had too big a place.

According to President Hoover, fifty-four nations have become attached to the Kellogg Pact. Let's hope they'll always stick together.

Missed putt at Fanling—"The Swearin' of the Green!"

"Fido"—No; *felix opportunitate* this widening of Garden Road is going to make it even more difficult to knock pedestrians down.

Professor Simpson is shortly to lecture on "The Difficulty of Engaging the Queen's Theatre Lish." We are assured that this management to charge him half-price at a "talkie" show, provided at his promise not to listen.

We notice that a 150-year life-span is predicted. Our office statistician has calculated that this allows for exactly 2,432 visits from his favourite shroff—if nobody shoots him in the meantime.

We are glad to note that America is spending more money on her Navy. This will make for larger and more effectual peace and goodwill tours.

What about the Home Government sending out one of these Economic Missions to Hongkong?

The Russian reply to America moves us to remark that the next time a Hongkong solicitor sends us a dunning letter, we will regard it as an unfriendly act.

A ship's captain has been prosecuted for refusing to carry mails. Local motor cyclists, however, have no such objection in the case of females.

The Kiu Sing has at least one use; she's a veritable widow's cruse as far as news items are concerned.

Sir Victor Mackenzie is reported to have complained of the pest of snakes whilst the Scots Guards were in Kowloon. Curiously enough, however, the Battalion had a fine reputation for sobriety whilst in the Colony.

According to a contemporary, Lo Bow has fallen to the invaders of Kwangtung, going to the dogs, apparently.

"Hongkong Rent Problem," says a newspaper heading. This, however, has nothing to do with knee-high rents in silk stockings.

N.Y.K. latest—Now You Know! From the number of new bills which it produces, one would imagine that our Legislative Council was in competition with the shroffs of the Colony.

The Shanghai-Chinese who objected to Douglas Fairbanks pulling the queue of a Mongolian character in "The Thief of Bagdad," have now longer memories than hair.

In connexion with the proposed international conference on the land-line, we understand that local Clubs are considering the appointment of delegates.

A contemporary states that in the "talkies" Mr. Ramsay MacDonald has a clear voice with a Scotch accent "Coming in Spasms." Or possibly "Comin' Through the Rye."

In some of the larger cities schools for teaching women to shop are being established. Now it's up to somebody to endow one of our leading universities with a professorship to let birds know what their wings are for.

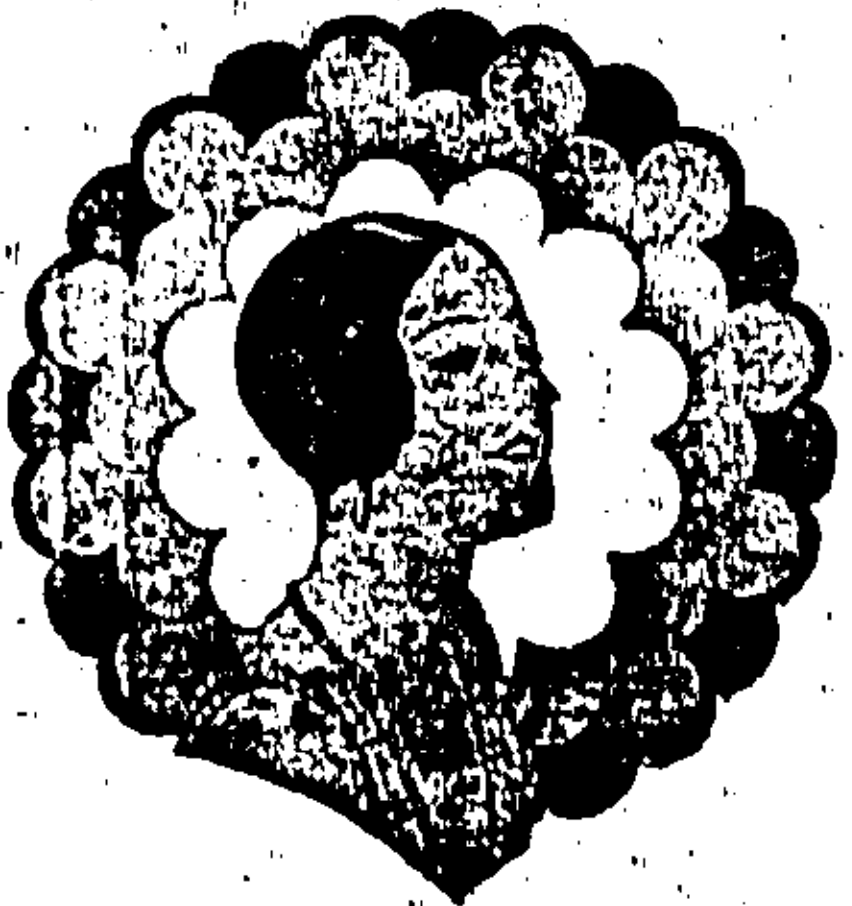
Some men like fishing. Others do their drinking at home.

A Philadelphia man has sued for \$500,000, charging alienation of his wife's affections. Probably a very affectionate woman.

From the *Dystander*:—"He approached the bed. Deliberately about twelve inches from her temple he shot her through the head." What a bloomin' read!

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CORRESPONDENCE.

Hongkong Rents.

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir.—Your correspondent "Common Sense" raises a cry in your columns against rent reduction in the Colony without a clear perception of the facts involved in the issue.

So far as can be gathered from the manifesto issued by the Rent Problem Committee recently, it is obviously not the intention of the Committee to approach the local Government to introduce legislation for the purpose of curtailing rents so much, as it is with the specific object of forming a committee to ascertain how far present rentals affect business in general. According to a consensus of opinion among the merchants in the business centres of Hongkong, rent does at the moment constitute the biggest item in the overhead expenditure, and the primary cause for which is traceable largely to crafty and relentless speculators in properties. True enough, property owners are entitled to a legitimate return for their investments, but certainly not an unearned increment out of all proportion, to the detriment of the merchants, more especially in time of severe trade depression like the present. In a period of prosperity, the Colony may not mind the disproportionate profiteering so much; but during abnormal depression, the merchants and shop-keepers would feel the slightest pinch and twist in the hands of the merciless landlords.

Coming now to the question of supply and demand, on which your correspondent "Common Sense" appears to lay so much stress. But the adverse is also true, in that, speculative landlords time and again take advantage of the demand for shop premises in certain business centres to exploit the tenants for high rental. Was it not a fact, that before the crisis of 1925, there was a wholesale and blatant speculation of properties in Hongkong, which brought on the disastrous ruin and setback to trade in the Colony? Then, too, from investigation made, it has been found that there are landlords who have made it a practice to acquire properties in busy centres, with the avowed object of raising rentals for sheer speculation. It is this malpractice that has inflicted hardship again and again on the long-established shop-keepers. This sort of speculation was, of course, even more acute during the pre-strike and boycott crises of 1925, so much so, that the speculative landlords had gone the lengths, in a frenzy of speculation, of taking first, second and third mortgages on their properties. To some extent, the debacle in 1925 and its aftermath might be attributed to such form of over-speculation.

Incidentally, it may be pointed out that not so long ago, there was a movement afoot in Tokio for voluntary reduction of rentals, the definite objective of which, if the writer understands the situation aright, was to enable the merchant class as a whole to compete more effectively in the foreign market. Let us not forget that Hongkong is a distributing centre and high rent means high labour and high labour tends to divert the local trade to other channels.

Putting the issue in a nutshell, it is the express intention of the Rent Problem Committee (1) to approach the local Government to reassess all properties in Hongkong with a view to eliminating abuses and to put a stop to high rent that is not commensurate with taxes paid to the Government. That alone is a grave injustice to the tenants. Rent should be paid according to rate of property value and (2) the Committee makes a strong appeal to the Government to take into consideration the question of one month's notice given to the tenants to quit premises. Taking into account the present hard time, the month's notice is rather short and something should be done to allow an extension of time.

A SUPPORTER OF THE
RENT PROBLEM COMMITTEE.

BANKNOTE CASE.

MONEY-CHANGER GIVES EVIDENCE.

Suggestions that the accused was asked to put his signature to a different set of numbers than those of the notes which first appeared in the dispute and that he was assaulted by the police, were put forward by the defence when the hearing was resumed before Mr. A. W. G. H. Grantham at the Central Magistracy yesterday, of the case in which a faki employed by the Lee Fung Hang shop Bonham Strand East is charged with possessing and with uttering six forged \$100 Chartered Bank notes. Inspector John Murphy, who was in charge at Central Police Station when the accused was brought in on November 4, stated that upon being shown the notes, he sent for the Chung Kee money-changer. The expert declared the notes were genuine, and before he released the accused, instructed that the numbers on the notes should be taken down.

In cross-examination by Mr. Leo D'Almada, Jnr., for the defence, witness said that they always sent for the Chung Kee whenever any difficulties arose in the matter of banknotes.

Mr. D'Almada: And he is usually infallible?

Witness: Usually.

On this occasion for how long did he examine the notes?—For five minutes. He had a good look at each note.

Anyway, he had no doubt but that they were genuine?—He was sure they were genuine.

Replying to other questions, witness said he did not see the numbers being taken down on his instructions, except that he did instruct a Chinese constable to do it. He did not tell the constable to get the defendant to sign.

Mr. D'Almada: It might be rather awkward, would it not, if these numbers were not the numbers of the notes concerned?

Witness: Well, you have police evidence.

Mr. D'Almada: That also is infallible?

Found Notes to be Genuine.

The Chung Kee man next gave evidence. Introducing him as the infallible money-changer, Mr. J. H. Armstrong (for the complainants) offered him for cross-examination by Mr. D'Almada.

Witness, replying to Mr. D'Almada, said that he found the notes to be genuine when he examined them on the day in question. He had to be extremely careful when handling these Chartered Bank notes as there were many forgeries on the market, and he had known Banks to be very reluctant in accepting them.

Shown the forged notes, witness declared them to be extraordinarily good. He did not tell anybody while in the charge room to take the numbers down, nor did he hear anyone making the suggestion that the defendant should sign a list of the numbers.

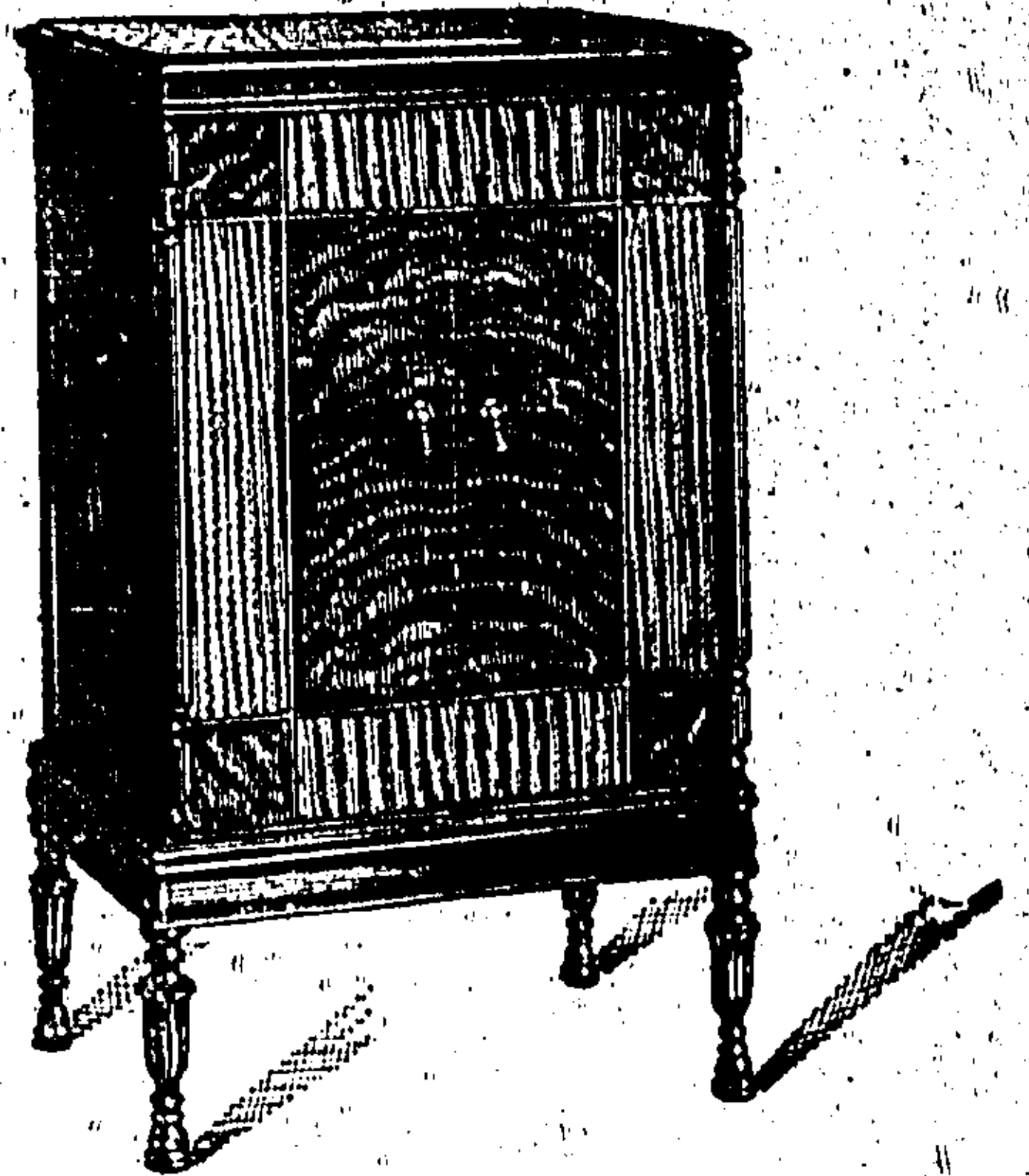
A Chinese constable stated that on instructions from the Inspector he took down the numbers of the notes in his note-book (produced). On the following day he was with the defendant when the latter was again taken in custody back to the Central Police Station, and was with him for an hour-and-a-half while a statement was taken by Sergeant Kennedy. Although defendant was taken back to the Station in handcuffs he remained free of his encumbrances while being questioned in the Detective office. Witness did not see any rulers lying on the desks in the room, and denied, in cross-examination by Mr. D'Almada, that he struck the defendant across the knees with a ruler or assaulted him in any other way while the interrogation was proceeding.

At this stage the case was adjourned until Friday.

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DOUG. AND MARY.

SEEING CHINESE LIFE AT KOWLOON CITY.

Doug. and Mary, during their short stay in Hongkong, had a very busy time. From almost the moment that the Rajputana got to the wharf early Thursday afternoon, right up to the time of their departure yesterday, they spent all their time ashore, visiting various places of interest and expressing their delight at all they saw. They were charmed with Hongkong and regretted their stay was so short.

On Thursday they took a trip round the island and in the evening partook of a Chinese dinner at West Point.

Yesterday they were out early. Mary went shopping. Naturally, she created a great deal of interest. She arrived back at the boat laden with parcels.

It was typical of Doug. to start out on a trip of the New Territories at 6.30 a.m. Mr. Wallace Harper had placed a Lincoln car at his disposal and accompanied the party, which included Mr. Albert Parker of the United Artists Studio and Mr. C. S. Rosset of Hongkong Amusements.

They proceeded via Shatin and Tai-po, stopping at several villages on the way, and eventually reached the Golf Club at Fanling, where they stayed for a few minutes before returning. Doug. was very disappointed that he had no time to devote to a round, but he expressed great admiration of the scenery.

Perhaps the most interesting part of the trip was the visit to Kowloon City. "Doug." had expressed a desire to see "real Chinese life," and he was taken round the labyrinth of streets and lanes. He spent an hour wandering about the place, entering the shops and conversing with any Chinese who could speak English. So absorbed was he in all he saw, that a reminder had to be given him by one of the party that it was time to be getting back to the ship. Doug. was loth to leave but was eventually forced to go. It was a great experience, he said, and one he would not have missed for anything. "He was tickled to death with the place," one of the party remarked.

From Kowloon City, Doug. returned to the wharf and boarded the Asama Maru, where he selected the suite in which he will travel from Shanghai back to the United States.

Getting back on the Rajputana just before the boat sailed, he was joined by Mary, and the pair were given a warm send-off.

BABY TANKS.

NOT SUITABLE FOR USE IN KWANGTUNG.

It is learned that expert opinion in military circles inclines to the belief that "baby" tanks, of which a specimen was recently put through a series of demonstrations in Hongkong, will not prove very serviceable in Kwangtung province, or for that matter any of the southern provinces, where rice growing is the staple agricultural industry, says the Canton Gazette. Although the tank was equipped with caterpillars for cross-country service, the tracks would not enable it to manoeuvre in soft slushy mire such as paddy fields, and for this reason expert opinion says that it will have no tactical advantage.

As for town and city work, although it is supposed to have a speed of thirty miles per hour, its caterpillar tracks render it unsuitable for paved city streets which would suffer considerable damage from the caterpillars.

Another disadvantage of the baby tank seen in Hongkong is that it will only carry two men, the driver and the machine gun operator. Both men sit in an exposed position, and although there are folding steel plates for their protection, these shield them from frontal attack only, and they are still exposed to rifle fire from the flanks and the rear.

Yet another drawback is that the extreme lightness of the tank renders it very vulnerable to gun-fire, and it is held that a well directed shell from even the lightest of mobile artillery such as are to be found with all Chinese armies now will put it hors de combat.

NAVAL RELIEFS.

H.M.S. VINDICTIVE COMING OUT TO CHINA.

London, Dec. 6. H.M.S. Vindictive has been ordered to leave Chatham at the end of January on a "trooping voyage" to Hongkong with reliefs for river gunboats employed on the China station and also for the Tamar and Petersfield. —Reuter.

NATIONAL CITY BANK.

NEW YORK HEAD OFFICE DENIES RUMOURS.

The Manager of The National City Bank of New York, Hongkong, informs us that rumours emanating from Russian newspapers published in Riga on the 5th. of November last and republished in Harbin newspapers have led to a run upon their Branch in that City.

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A BELATED PROTEST.

SOVIET AVIATORS DENOUNCE COSTES AND BELLONTE.

Moscow, Dec. 6.

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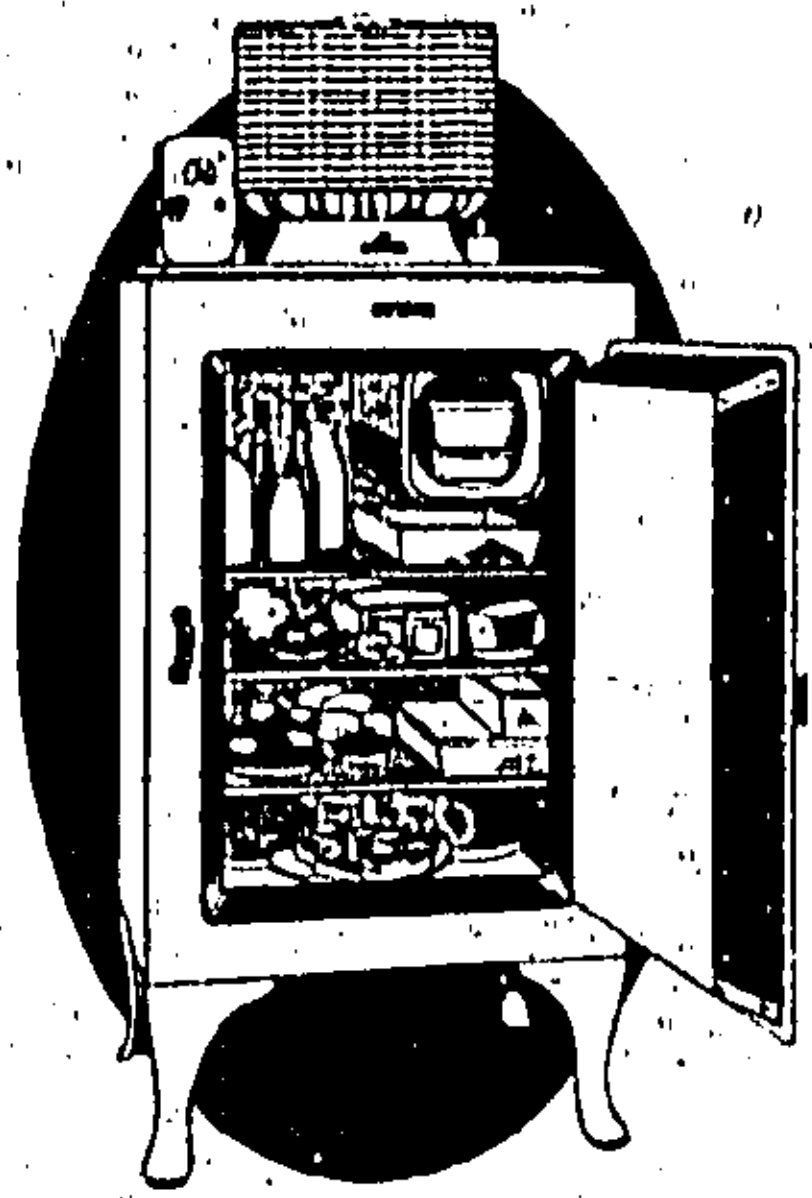
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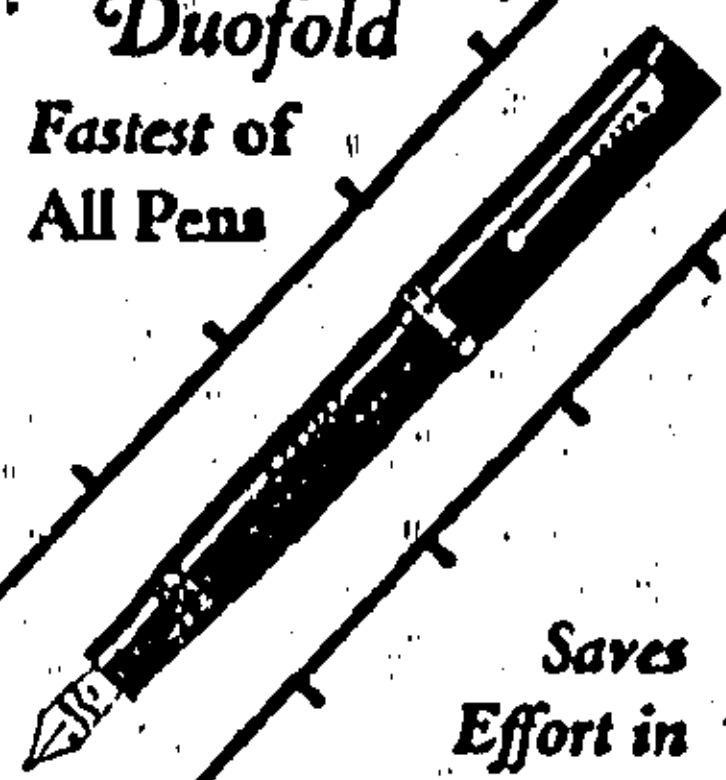
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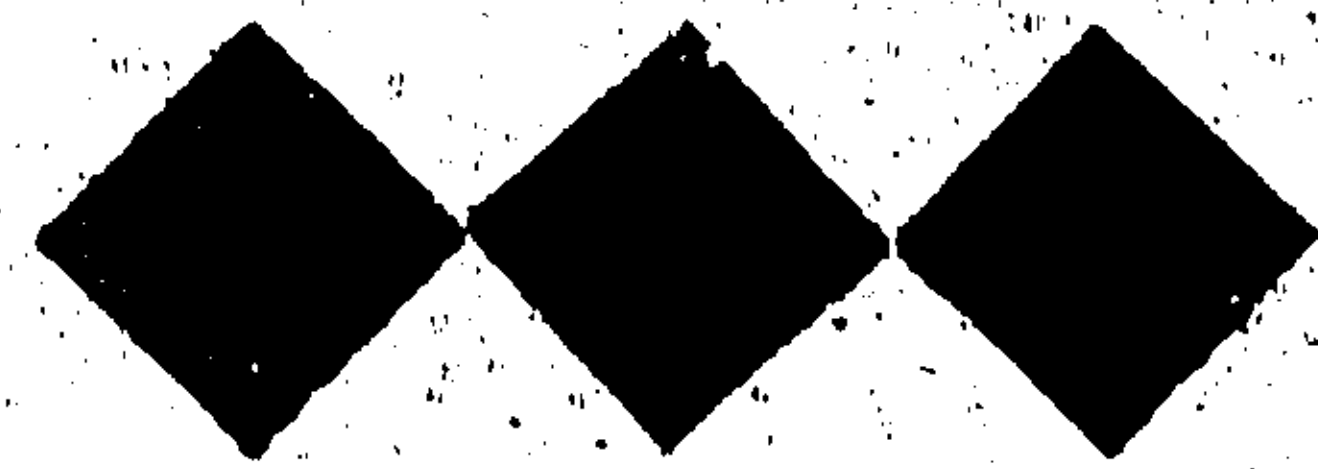
Mr. Baldwin, addressing the guests, congratulated the League on the work it did at the last Election. "You cannot always be successful," he said. "You fought last time against a tide. I fought against a good deal heavier one in 1906, and was nearly drowned. In two years I swam ashore on dry land, and I have been on dry land ever since. The essential feature of the tide is, that in due course it ebbs. It has not begun to ebb yet, but it will soon—(hear, hear)—and after the ebb the flood. (Laughter.)"

"We have got to be ready to take the next tide when it comes. I hope it will not come too soon. This country does not like too frequent elections. Let our motto always be 'Be prepared, be ready,' and though an election may not come in one year, or two years—Whenever you like—keep up your organisation so that if the election took place to-night you would be ready to play your part in it. Whatever may be said of others it is true of the Imps that they are always ready (Cheers.)"

"Lord Stanley has been telling me about your congress, and he interested me very much by telling me of the subjects you discussed and of the speeches that were made. He was very much impressed, and I gathered that you have been honoured for the first time by the presence of real live reporters taking down your real live word. I will tell you something. The experience of a lifetime has taught me you can always trust the reporters. They will take down what you say, they will not leave anything out, and they will put nothing in. (Laughter.) It is perfectly true. I cannot say the same of everybody else. (Laughter.)"

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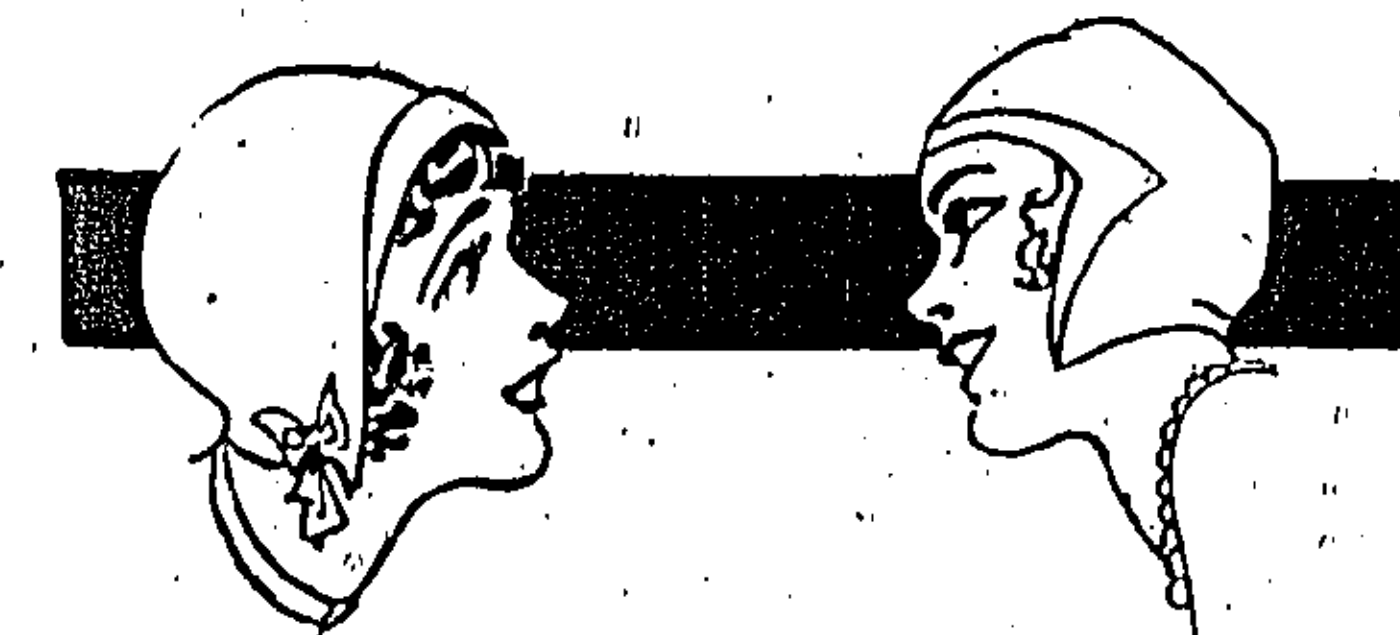
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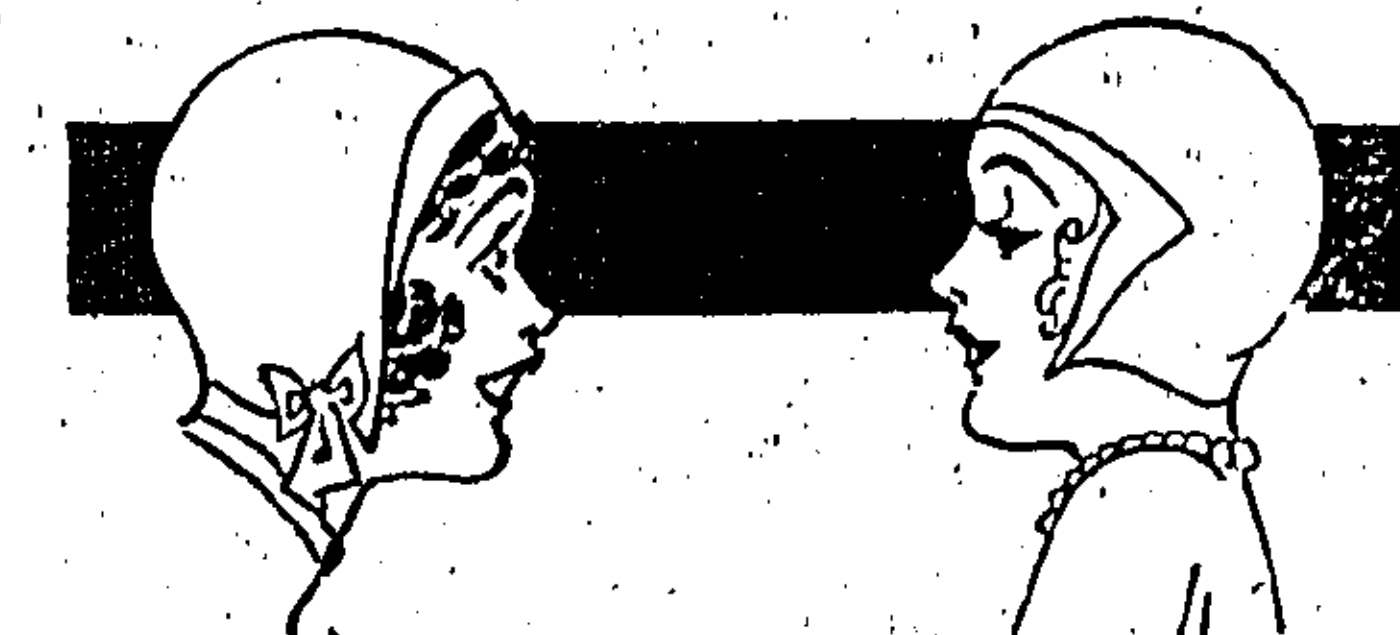
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MEDICAL MEN ANSWER THE CALL TO "ENLIST"

Details of a great "mass attack" on cancer by the British Medical Association, in which every doctor in the country will be invited to take part, are disclosed by the "British Medical Journal" in its issue published last month.

Preliminary steps have already been taken to launch the campaign which aims at collecting—through the general practitioner—all available evidence relating to the incidence of cancer and its history after treatment.

The campaign will embrace England, Scotland and Wales and will cover a period from now until September 1930, when "returns" will be called for.

Not Confined to New Cases. Doctors will watch and report on cancer cases within their own knowledge, present cases as well as new ones. In this way there will be available for expert collation and examination invaluable and exhaustive data concerning the disease.

There are 28,000 doctors resident in Great Britain registered with the association, and of these it is expected that fully 20,000 will co-operate.

Dr. Cox, medical secretary of the association, told a Press representative that doctors in the various divisions and division-branches had already been requested to "enlist" as volunteers. The response, so far, he added, had been very good.

Patients' History. A memorandum which has been sent to honorary secretaries of divisions and division-branches states that precise information is required as to:—

The history of patients; Actual evolution of the disease, and especially of the first symptom;

Result of treatment; Duration of the disease both when treated and when untreated.

"Information in respect of these points," it is emphasised, "is of the utmost importance, and general practitioners are in a far better position to make personal observation and to supply reliable information than is the operating surgeon, under whose care the patient comes, as a rule, only for a very short time."

Does He Smoke? The doctors will be asked to state the age, sex, and occupation of the patient, personal habits—whether, for instance, in the case of cancer of the tongue, the patient smokes—the deaths, if any, of near relatives from cancer, and the treatment undergone at any period.

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Amongst the quaint old traditions and legends attached to Oeverum there is one, in which the older inhabitants firmly believe, and which was strangely confirmed by recent happenings. In the mansion of the manager of the works, hangs a portrait of the founder of the factory. There is an old saying that this portrait must never be removed from its place, for if that is done Oeverum will be ravaged by fire. Not long ago the house had to be repaired, and in spite of the warnings uttered by some old workmen the portrait was taken down. Soon after a serious fire broke out, which ravaged a great part of the works and caused considerable losses.

The inhabitants of Oeverum now, of course, believe more firmly than ever in the legend, and the portrait was again hung in its old place, where it will probably remain as long as the house stands.

the answers to them it is hoped to throw some light on the influence of hereditary predisposition on the causation of cancer.

The "British Medical Journal," in a leading article, mentions that two years ago the American Society for the Control of Cancer appointed a committee to review and report on the best methods of improving the medical services available to the cancer patient, and points out that, while to arouse and educate the public may be the first step, "an efficient medical service is obviously essential" if a full advance is to follow.

A central feature of the American scheme is the establishment of a limited number of cancer institutes equipped for all forms of treatment, including an adequate supply of radium and provided with a staff of specialists.

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New Hair-Dressing Modes and some Jewellery Fashions.



The cult of longer hair has brought with it some extremely becoming coiffure notions; or perhaps I should say the coiffures have been inspired to work out new ideas to meet the demands of those women who are no longer shingled. And, of course, hardly anyone is shingled these days!

Most of the smartest evening coiffures are arranged to cover the ears, and suitable slides and clips have, therefore, had to be devised to keep the curls and waves in place. One of the prettiest ways of dressing the hair in the evening is in imitation of the "ear-phone" style. It is simply parted in the centre from forehead to nape of neck and the waved tresses are brought down over each ear, there to be clasped by a pretty cut crystal slide below which is arranged a dainty "turn-under" curl. The slide may be in crystal of any tint to accord with the dress, and is matched by a smart "choker" necklace.

Another way of dressing the hair—still parted in the centre, since this appears to be the most popular style with those who can wear it—is to sweep it softly back over the ears to the centre back, where it is caught by one of the new slides with "teeth" to grip stray ends. The slide is covered with three enormous tinted pearls to match the equally large ones that form the choker. Less youthful than the ear-phone coiffure, but very smart!

Still another jewellery notion is the *en suite* set comprising huge ear-rings, necklace and pendant of beautifully carved and tinted ivory. This looks wonderful with an all-black or all-white gown, the faint hint of colour in the ivory lending a note of interest to the whole ensemble.

A Beauty Hint.

MAKING-UP THE EYES.

Making-up the eyes must be undertaken with the greatest care for daylight. The use of an eyebrow pencil on lashes that are too light is often a great improvement.

When pencilling the lashes, place a small piece of white paper immediately beneath the lashes, and stroke them over this. It prevents the pencil from leaving marks beneath the eyes.

The eyebrows should be brushed with a soft brush upon which a drop of oil of sweet almonds has been smeared, and, should the space between the brows be too narrow for beauty, it can be made to appear broader if given a slight extra dusting of powder in a lighter shade than that used for the rest of the face.

Do not apply powder to the eyelids. A suggestion of cold cream smeared over them and wiped lightly off gives a soft expression to the eyes.

Dark rings beneath the eyes or a slight puffiness can often be successfully disguised by a faint touch of rouge lightly dusted over with powder.

Finally... We need a different beauty in the ballroom. The robust charm so attractive on the moors is quite out of place in a chiffon dance frock. A new complexion each season is beauty's decree.

Black & White.



The modish Magpie ensemble is here expressed in black crepe de chine as to coat and pleated skirt, and in white crepe de chine as to neat cross-over jumper which has a kilted frill of self material.

Beauty for Dancing.

[By a Beauty Specialist.]

"The saloons are crowded nowadays with women who are anxious to be made beautiful for dancing nights," said a Mayfair beauty specialist recently. Quite the most popular treatment for the skin seems to be the witch hazel pack. Its chief asset is that it removes sallowness leaving the skin wonderfully soft and youthful. And it tightens up those tiny lines which are so often apparent during the summer months. Lines which are caused by a drying skin and by the almost unconscious habit of frowning when the sun's glare meets the eyes.

There are many women who for various reasons cannot take the treatment at a beauty parlour. It can, however, quite easily be applied at home.

The ingredients are merely rose-water and witch hazel, in the proportions of three tablespoonfuls of the former to one tablespoonful of the latter. The treatment consists in well washing the skin first in hot water, using an olive oil soap, then, while the skin is still moist, laying on folds of lint soaked in the hot mixture. This is easily heated by standing the basin inside a larger vessel containing boiling water. As the lint gets cool it is renewed until all the mixture is used up. Be very sure though that the neck and forehead come in for a share of the treatment, as frequently these are the parts that are the most affected.

Generous Application of Cream.

The next process is a generous application of cold cream which

remains on for a few minutes for the skin to absorb it. After a short interval the superfluous cream is wiped off, and the face rubbed with ice until it tingles and glows. Then the vanishing cream, a dust of powder that blends with the skin and colouring, and the tiniest trace of brillianine to the eyelashes and eyebrows. The result is a new looking skin. Try it and see.

"To get the hair in a better condition," said this famous beauty expert, "give it friction. Look, lustreless hair means a lazy scalp. With the fingers dipped in warm olive oil massage from the temples to the crown of the head; from the forehead to the crown; and from the neck to the crown. Always massage upwards, and be sure that the scalp actually moves under the fingers."

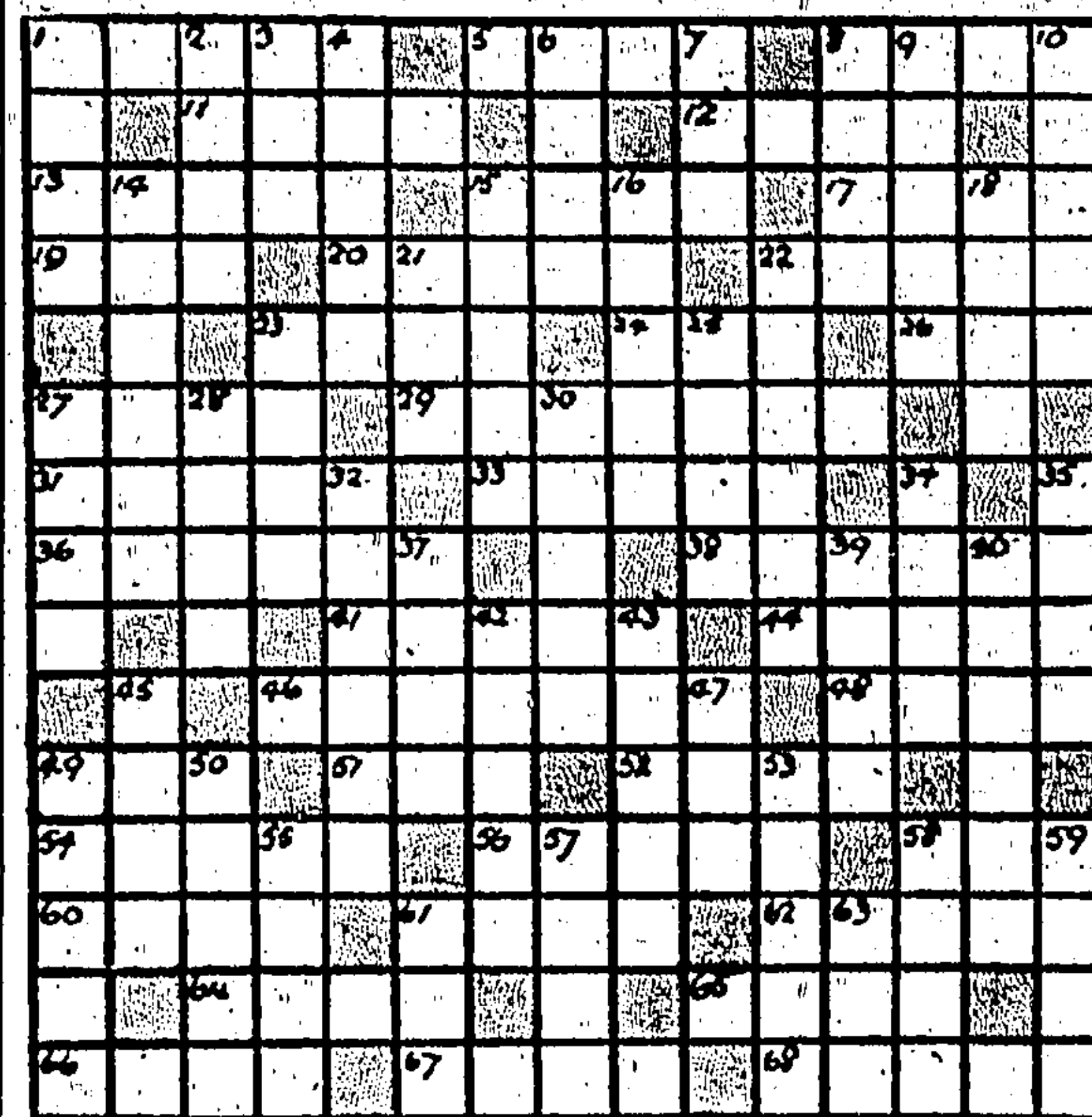
"Follow up the massage with a good shampoo. Your hairdresser will be glad to advise you on the one most suited to your hair. If the massage with the oil is done once a week, followed by the shampoo, and daily massage with a few spots of a reliable tonic-dressing, the hair will quickly regain its former tone."

Some of the most charming dance frocks of the season simply cry for rounded elbows and white arms.

Elbows are much improved if they are rubbed with a feeding cream. The cream should be used generously and the hand formed to make a cup, rotary movements being used. It soon makes an astonishing difference to red and sharp elbows.

Cucumber and rosewater lotion is the most effective for coaxing back the smooth white arms which the summer sun has browned so

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- 29 Vice.
- 31 Small lakes.
- 33 Challenged.
- 36 Obliterates.
- 38 Red fruit.
- 41 Art of reasoning.
- 44 Pertaining to the navy.
- 46 Spoils.
- 48 Grant for temporary use.
- 49 Untruth.
- 51 Public vehicle.
- 52 System of eating.
- 54 Choose.
- 56 Acquire knowledge.
- 58 Alcoholic beverage.
- 60 Relate.
- 61 Have on.
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- 65 Principal character.
- 66 Tinged.
- 67 Units of time.
- 68 Depository.

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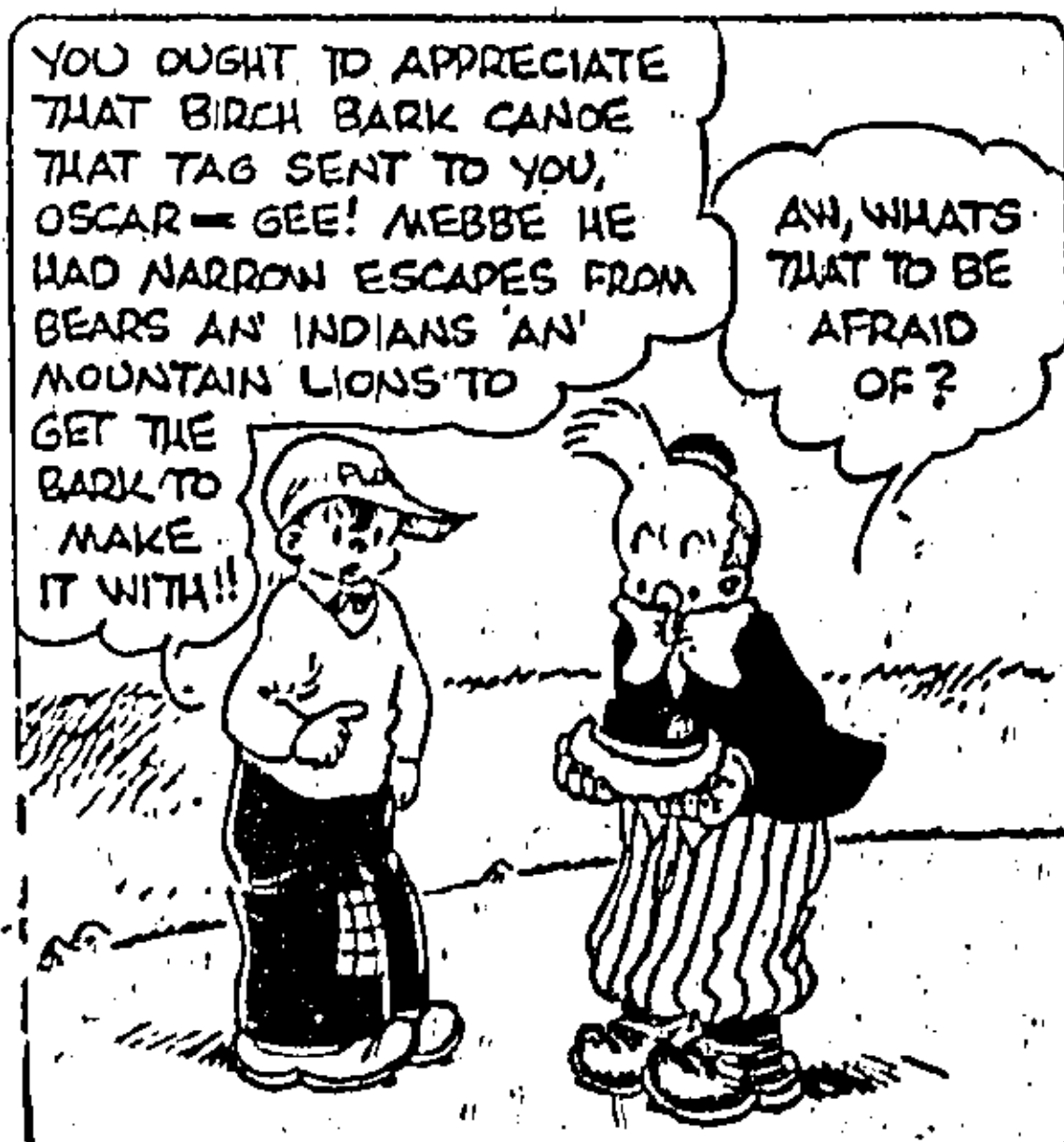
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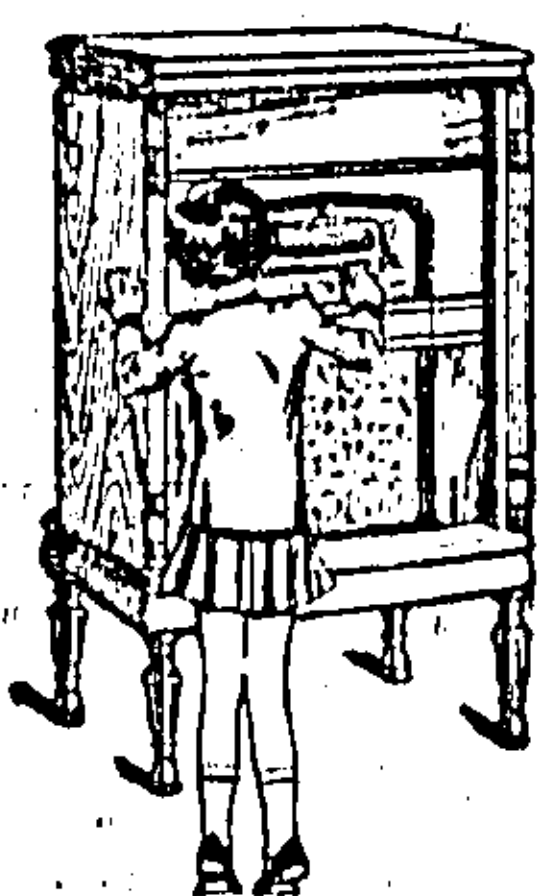


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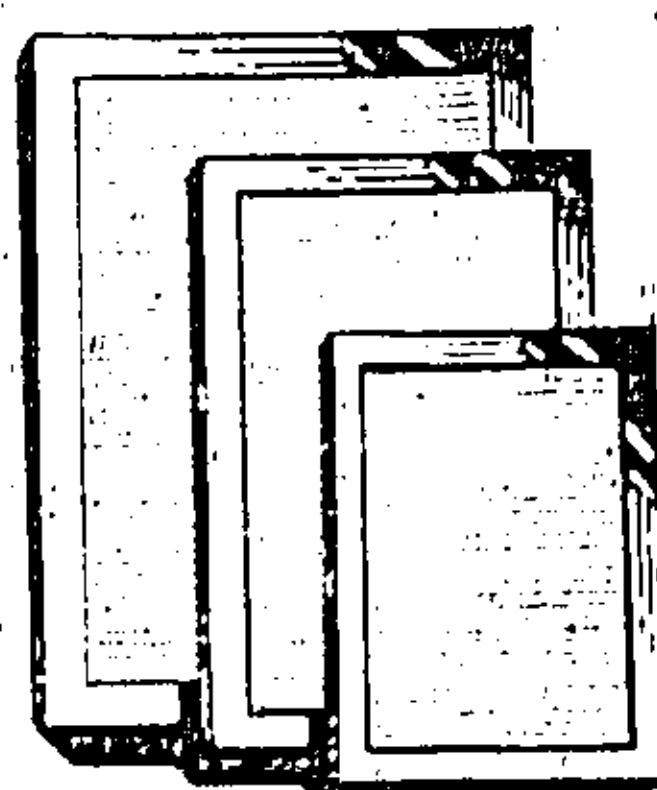
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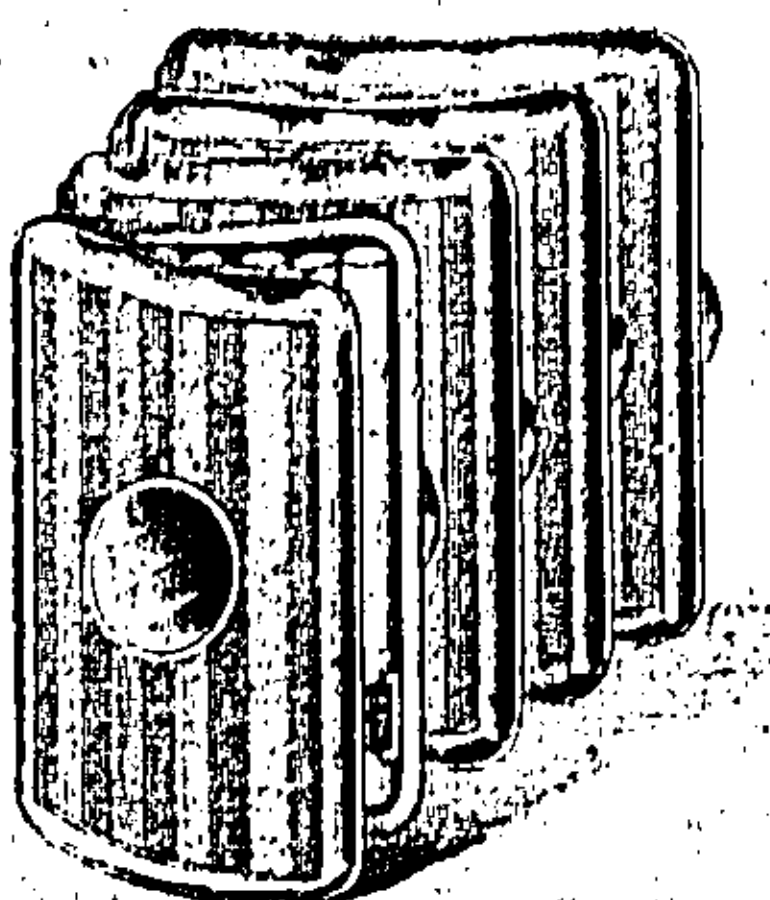
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SATURDAY DEC. 7, 1929.

DEVELOPING TRADE.

A hopeful sign of the times is to be observed in the increasing concern which is being shown by the British Government in the development of the trade and industry of the Mother Country. This was illustrated by the luncheon given earlier in the week by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, at 10, Downing Street, to half a dozen leading economists and industrialists, at the conclusion of which there was a frank discussion on the trade outlook. In the course of that discussion, the Prime Minister threw out a hint which may be taken as an indication that he desires the business men of the nation to be taken into the closest confidence by the Government. He stated that there should be an expert body which would examine all economic problems confidentially, and would advise the Cabinet in a manner analogous to that of the advice given in military and naval matters by the Committee of Imperial Defence. It is not without interest to note the coincidence that within less than a week of this gathering, President Hoover addressed four hundred delegates of all branches of American industry at a conference which aimed at the creation of a permanent organisation to co-operate with the Department of Commerce. It will thus be seen that the United States, no less than Britain, perceives the desirability of the Government keeping in the closest possible touch with commercial interests.

That the British Government is extremely anxious to develop home industries, to foster inter-Imperial trade, and to expand the nation's exports, has been made manifest in numbers of ways since it took office. In this connection mention may be made of Mr. J. H. Thomas's recent visit to Canada, and of the suggestion that British Economic Missions, such as that which visited Argentina with such marked success, may be sent to various parts of the world. At the back of the Government policy there no doubt lies a realisation of the fact that unless industry can be encouraged and export trade increased, any hopes of curing the

unemployment evil will be doomed to failure. But, whatever the motives, the development is most welcome. In particular, it is gratifying to know that the Government is keen on the expansion of trade as between various parts of the Empire. If unemployment is to be solved, one necessity is the finding of markets overseas for British goods; the markets will not come to us; they have to be sought out and developed.

One other development which we are glad to note is that young business men at home are being encouraged to take an increased interest in Imperial and foreign trade. A movement has recently been put on foot to develop in all business centres Junior Chambers of Commerce, where young men of from 18 to 30 may have opportunities of studying, discussing and expressing themselves upon questions which affect the future of the country and the Empire. Already, nearly a dozen such Chambers have been established in various parts of the country. The fact has to be faced, of course, that Britain's position as one of the greatest industrial centres of the world has been gradually changing during the past generation, the whole world becoming rapidly industrialised. Initiative has to be shown in meeting the changed state of affairs. Happily, as a nation we still retain the priceless assets of commercial honesty and stability. Our goods and our methods are known and trusted. But new methods and re-organisation are needed if we are to gain ground.

The Radio Exhibition.

The organisers of the Colony's first Radio Exhibition are to be congratulated on an initial success. The show at the City Hall is drawing excellent attendances and there is little doubt that the result will be an even keener and more widely developed interest in wireless and radio broadcasting. The exhibitors, given comparatively little time in which to prepare, have made a highly creditable show and one which has surprised not a few by reason of its attractiveness. In his opening speech on Thursday, the Hon. Colonial Secretary said that the Colony was occasionally a slow starter by reason of its situation, but he expressed confidence in the future and had encouragement for both the wireless leaders and the listening public which, quite naturally, is eager to see even more improved programmes. The attitude of the Government towards broadcasting has now been made perfectly clear. If more public funds are to be utilised for the broadcasting service, then there has to be a proportional increase in the revenue received by the Government from this source. The Government has given evidence of earnest endeavour, and, judging by the rapidity with which licences are now being sold, more substantial grants from the public funds towards broadcasting may be expected in the future. On the question of finance it is pleasing to note that the proceeds of the exhibition are to be devoted to the broadcast programmes. With interest stimulated by the Exhibition, the promise of the Government and the much improved programmes now being broadcast, there is every hope that wireless will play an ever increasing part in the Colony's affairs and that Hongkong will soon live down the unfortunate name long attached to it for its seeming apathy towards radio. We trust that the public interest, stimulated by the Exhibition, will extend to a closer acquaintance with the Colony's broadcasting service and thus enable the Government to increase the scope of the programmes and add further to their variety.

His Excellency the Governor has authorised the holder for the time being of the office of Director of Air Services to be the duly competent authority in this Colony to grant, renew and validate licences (including certificates of competency) referred to in Schedule V to the Air Navigation (Colonies, Protectorates and Mandated Territories) Order, 1927, on such conditions, pending the issue of other or further directions by the Governor, as he may think fit.

DAY BY DAY.

WISE ANGER IS LIKE FIRE FROM THE FLINT; THERE IS A GREAT ADD TO BRING IT OUT; AND WHEN IT DOES COME, IT IS OUT AGAIN IMMEDIATELY.—Matthew Henry.

The second annual dance of the Hongkong Ladies' Hockey Club is to take place at Lane Crawford's on Friday, January 10th.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Dr. K. H. Digby to be a Member of the Medical Board for a further term of three years.

Mr. Francis Meade, A. R. S. N., resumed duties as Inspector of Factories and Inspector of Juvenile Labour on 21st November.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Captain R. C. Strachey, M.C., Somerset Light Infantry, to be one of his Honorary Aides-de-Camp.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. Eduardo Augusto Mattos, No. 721, Nathan Road, Kowloon, to Miss Luiza Maria Lali, No. 3, Shelley Street, Hongkong.

Mr. A. E. Wright, late Assistant Director of Public Works, was, while he was in Hongkong, a Colonial Fellow of the Surveyors Institution but has now been transferred to full Fellowship.

Passengers disembarking at Hongkong yesterday from the Rivalpindi included Prof. G. Wong, Mr. E. MacInnes, Major Crawford Martin, Mr. G. Nicholl, Mr. H. Tobias and Mr. J. Brown.

Among the passengers on board the Empress of Asia due to arrive at Hongkong on December 12, are Miss J. Ho Tung, Mrs. A. K. Buxton and Mr. Karl K. Kitchen, Editor, Daily Column, New York World.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Major D. G. Chayne, O.B.E., M.C., R.A.M.C., to be a member of the Sanitary Board for a term of three years, vice Lieutenant Colonel and Brevet Colonel J. S. Stock, C.B.E., R.A.M.C.

Mr. C. McI. Messer, O.B.E., assumed duties as Colonial Treasurer, Collector of Stamp Revenue, Assessor of Rates, and Commissioner to carry out the provisions of the Estate Duty Ordinance, 1915, on 6th December.

His Excellency the Governor has fixed the 1st day of January, 1930, as the date for the coming into effect of the resolution of the Legislative Council that the percentage on the valuation of tenements payable as rates for tenements in Lai-chikok, Wong Uk, Cheung Sha Wan and Kowloon Old City shall be 9 per cent.

It is notified that satisfactory evidence of the appointment, for three years commencing on the 29th August, 1929, of la Petite Soeur Gabrielle de St. Hyacinthe as the Mother Superior in this Colony of the Society of the Petites Soeurs des Pauvres, St. Pern, Bretagne, has been furnished to His Excellency the Governor.

The health bulletin of Eastern Ports for the week ended November 30 shows the following cases of infectious diseases: Plague, Alexandria, 1 case; Pnum Peni, 2 cases and 2 deaths; Cholera, Calcutta, 55 cases and 29 deaths; Madras, 1 death; Tulucon, 9 cases and 2 deaths; Canton, 1 case; Small-pox, Berbera, 8 cases and 3 deaths; Aden, 1 death; Baghdad, 2 cases; Bombay, 8 cases and 5 deaths; Calcutta, 6 cases and 5 deaths; Cochín, 47 cases and 5 deaths; Karachi, 1 case; Madras, 18 cases and 2 deaths; Mouline, 1 case; Negapatnam, 1 case; Pondicherry, 1 death; Batavia, 3 cases; Pontianak, 1 case; Canton, 1 case, and Shanghai, 2 cases.

WIRELESS LICENCES.

PROVISIONS MADE FOR PAYMENTS.

Regulation 14 of the Wireless Telegraphy Regulations has been amended by the following addition: "Provided that for every ship station licence, broadcast receiving licence, and dealer's licence issued in the 2nd quarter (April-June), 3rd quarter (July-September), or 4th quarter (October-December) of any year the respective licence fees therefor, hereinafter specified, shall be reduced by 1/4, 1/2 or 3/4 respectively, as the case may be; Provided, also that no refund shall be allowed upon any licence fee or reduced licence fee prescribed by these regulations, nor shall any further or other reduction be made by the licensing authority."

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Modern Acadians of Wolfville.

Here in Nova Scotia men call Wolfville the "capital of the Evangeline country." Not many places, even in Nova Scotia, could live up to such a designation as that. For, know you, this same Evangeline country is the fairest of the fair, quite as fair to-day, quite as unspoiled, as when its shores faded slowly from the faded vision of the vanished Acadians. Tourists have come and tourists have gone, creating the same din with their clattering, petrol-scented conveyances, rushing hither and yon, summer after summer, yet altering not a whit the ages-old charm and the simple, kindly manners of this land of song and legend.

And Wolfville, fair little college town by the Basin of Minas, with its shade trees, its comfortable homes, its hospitable inns, is a worthy "capital" of all this dreamy, wrapped land of the poet's ecstasy. Along its elm-lined main street the ancient horse-drawn vehicles of the farmers of the Gaspean Valley outnumber the motorcars on any Saturday afternoon in summer or autumn, and the olden tranquillity thus symbolized, reveals itself on every hand.

That is why we say that Wolfville is "unspoiled." It has not yet become "modernized"; it does not "hurry"; it does not regard its visitors primarily as a source of profit. No, Wolfville, with its alluring blend of the atmosphere and manners of America and of England, is hospitable and friendly, as becomes the "capital of the Evangeline country." The spirit of the Acadians lingers still by the high-rising tides of Minas, over the broad meadows of Grand Pre, and through the sweet and lovely Valley of the Gaspean. And the bronze figure of the maid herself, as it stands before yonder memorial church in the meadows, reminds that, even after 200 years, this is still the idyllic land of Acadia.

I came to a little cottage, as I call about for quiet lodgings, a cottage on the way which leads over the hill into the Gaspean Valley. It bore an inscription, "The Devonshire," and I thought longingly of Clovelly and Lynmouth and lonely Dartmoor. And presently, behold, I was talking of them all with a good lady who was not long from "home." Yes, she was from "home"—loving, loyal manner of reference to England heard in every part of England's far-flung Empire. And here, where there is so much to suggest England, she cited for a few very fortunate "paying guests" quite as she might have done among the fair, green hills of north Devon.

It was the dear, familiar English atmosphere here in a setting as perfect as England's own, and it is one of the places I want to go back to. And the next morning, as I began reluctantly to engage with the Corona—feeling a marked preference for the sea meadows and the valleys—I was informed that another of the "paying guests," having "heard of me," desired contact. Perhaps a little of impatience characterized my rejoinder, for they are common experiences of the wandering writing man, these, and might well occupy most of his time if he yielded too readily. But when I heard this: "Well, she is a distant relative of Robert Louis Stevenson, so I thought perhaps you—" I abandoned but too gladly all thoughts of further work that day.

And sure enough, here was a Scottish lady who, as a child, had known and often talked with "R. L. S." himself. She told me of him, and I responded with the story of my visit to Tahiti, in Tahiti, and my meeting there with the chief who had also known Stevenson. And before I had done with the South Seas—a subject upon which, I fear, I was exceedingly garrulous at every opportunity—I had a considerable audience; an audience eager, as I have yet to find an audience which is not to hear more and yet more about Tahiti and the fairy isles which cluster, like a necklace of pearls, around it.

Far away as Wolfville, in its hill-guarded and sea-encircled tranquillity, seems to the visitor, yet many and varied are the contacts one makes there. Plenty of writing people have seen to it that the belated, of Acadia, where nature's own hospitality but supplements that of the modern Acadians, are not unknown to the world; and even more artists have declared, with varying viewpoint, the charm of "Grand Pre," and Gaspean, and Minas Basin, and Cape Blomidon.

And so people come here from every land, from north and south,

and from across the sea. Some of them ascend the ridge at sundown, there to look down the valley of the Gaspean toward Grand Pre, and to reread "Evangeline" ere the long northern twilight fades. Others stroll the wide dikes, which fend the waters of the basin from the spreading, cattle-dotted meadows. And still others sit on the verandas and read the financial news in the forty-eight-hour-old New York papers. However, *chacun son goût*; and for every individual taste, however varied, the fair land of Evangeline and its little capital provides satisfying sustenance.

And not the least interesting are the modern Acadians themselves, these present-day people of Nova Scotia whose naive simplicity, whose friendliness, whose manners of a more tranquil day, help to maintain that atmosphere of yesterday which makes the country of Evangeline one of unique delight. There, for example, was my acquaintance, the man-whom-fortune almost smiled, I encountered him first in one of the village shops, engaged in the humble and profitless occupation of polishing boots. Having walked half a dozen miles in a steady rain the day before, it happened that morning that mine required considerable attention, and he provided it with a zest which would have astonished a city "bootblack." With all this assiduity went, as a matter of necessity and of course, a varied dissertation on men and events.

It appeared that this modest trade of boot polishing was only a "side line." It was but incidental to the calling of saddler, and, being leather worker to the whole village, my acquaintance was frequently summoned outside to regard broken harnesses and such. So that the boot polishing was a leisurely business and required time sufficient to unfold to me many of the experiences of a lifetime. The most piquant of these was recalled by the subject of the "dry spell." It hadn't rained in the land of Evangeline for some time, and a change in the weather was eagerly looked for.

"But," said the saddler, "I was once in a place where it hadn't rained for six months, instead of six weeks!"

"Yes," I agreed, unimpressed. "Well, my friend, I've been in places where it has never rained!" This was a statement so incredible as to be intended merely as a pleasantry and to be treated as such.

"It was in Africa," continued my acquaintance, paying no attention whatever to my astonishing remark. "I was there in the Boer War, and one day, out in this desert where it hadn't rained for six months, I almost found gold. Fact is, I did find gold—but I couldn't do anything about it!"

"I was on a troop train," he went on, when I had manifested the requisite interest. "We broke down and were there in the desert for quite a while. I wandered off a ways, and by and by I found a rock which had gold in it pure enough—yellow streaks of it! There were other rocks like it around there, too, millions of dollars in 'em, I calculate. 'Couldn't do nothing about it!' he repeated a little petulantly. (Continued on Page 9.)

WHO WAS....

FANTINE?

Fantine was born for one of life's suffering parts. Created by Victor Hugo in his great novel, "Les Misérables," Fantine stepped across the threshold of the world a pure, confiding, beautiful girl, but in no long time she was transformed into a wild and reckless woman, jealous, abandoned, apparently a hopeless case of degeneration.

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Then there comes upon the scene M. Madeleine, the reformed criminal, and by his great pity Fantine is lifted from the morass to enter once again into the heritage of her real nature.

The moral is that the miseries of life are the result more of misfortune than of deliberate viciousness, and that it is possible to redeem men and women from their spiritual death by an appeal to all that is best in their natures.

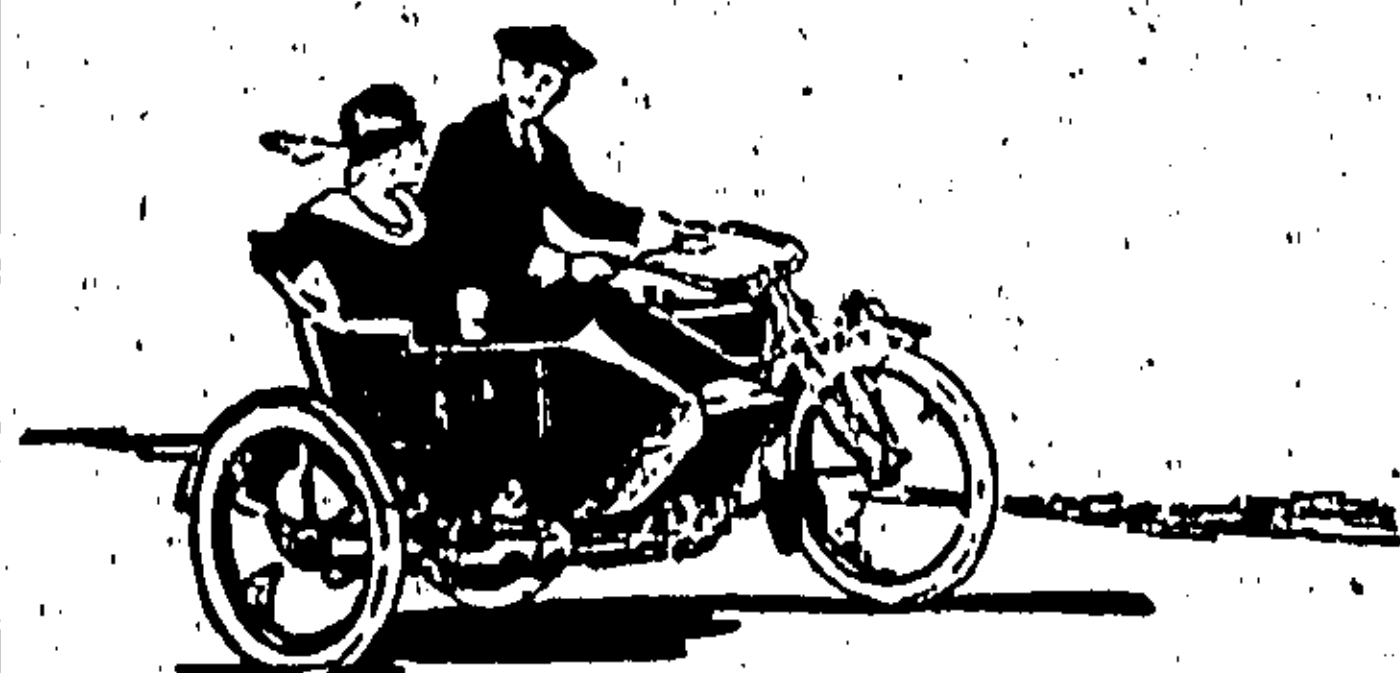
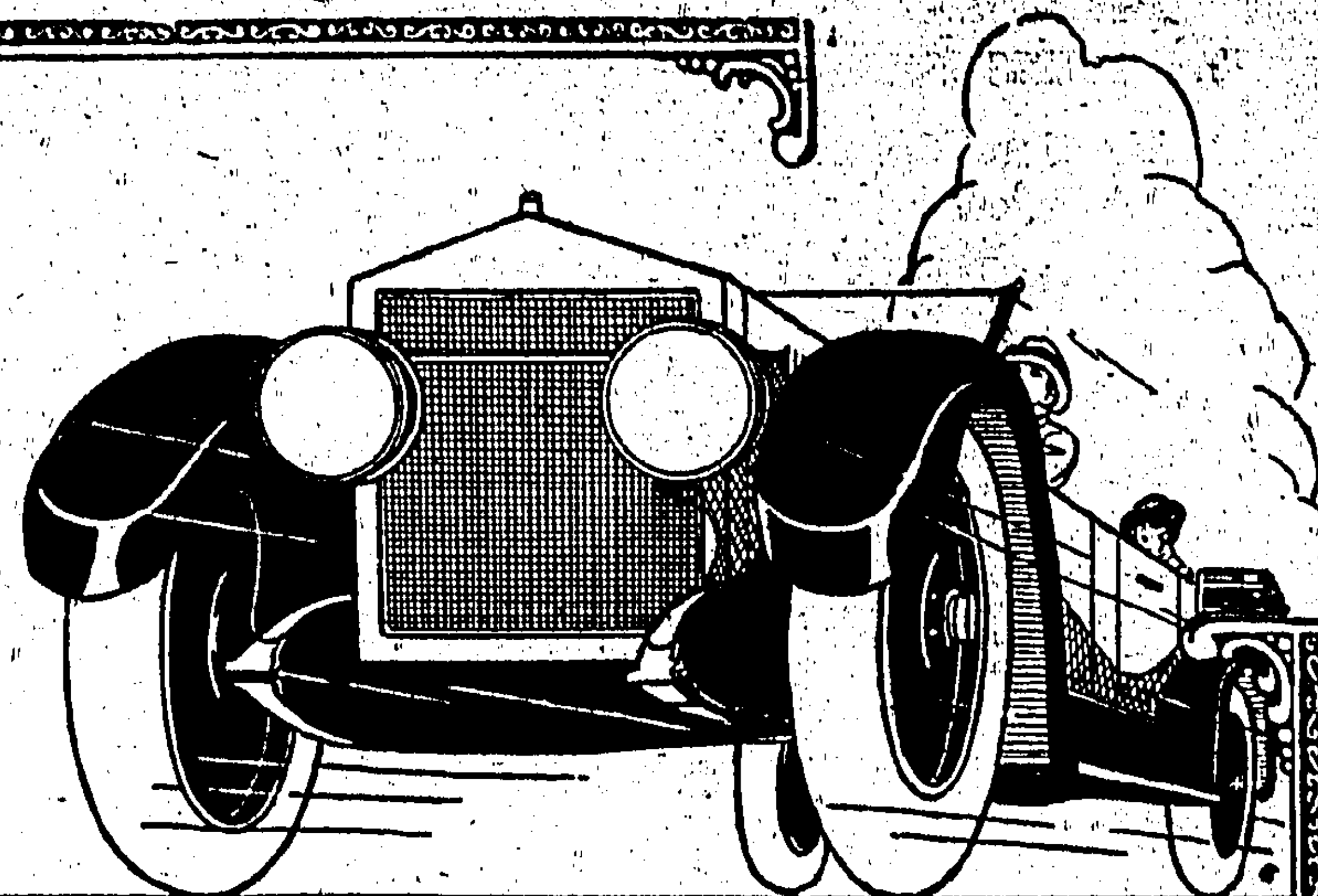
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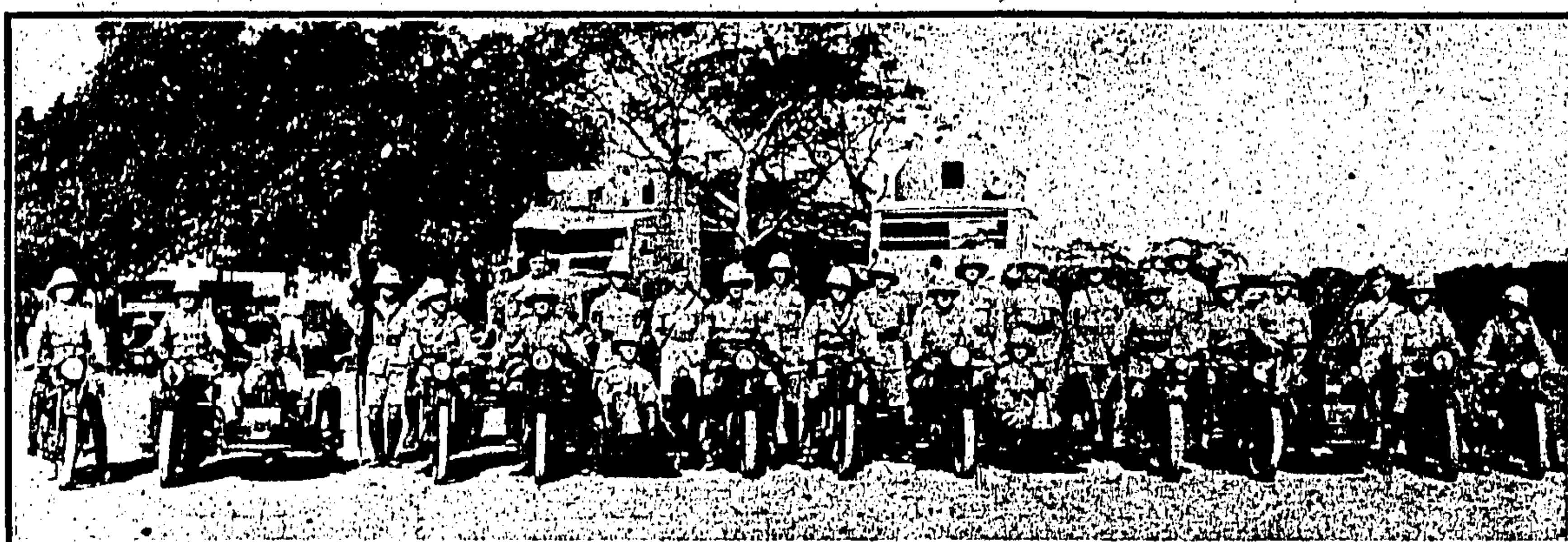
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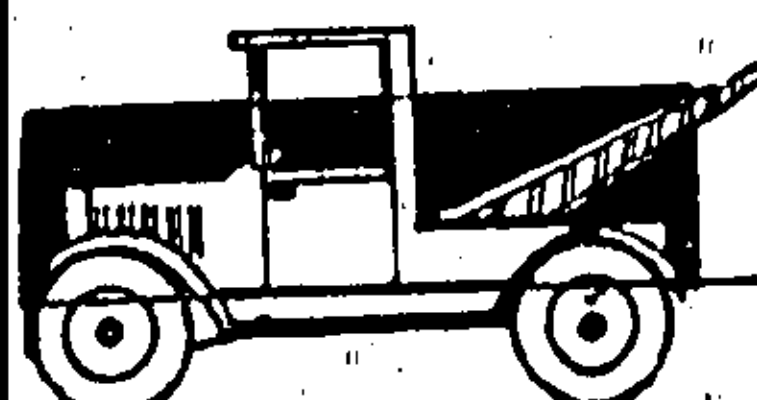
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CURRENT COMMENT

Garden Road Widening.

The work at present in progress in connexion with widening the lower end of Garden Road will ultimately effect a most needed improvement, although, unless the scheme is carried past the tram station, the roadway outside that building will become more of a bottle-neck route than ever. It should be possible to do away with the pathway outside the station, and provide both entrance and exit at the lower end, by the present entrance for coolies. This would indeed improve the road to a very considerable degree, and it is to be hoped that some such scheme will be evolved. Advertising to the widening at the foot of Garden Road, it will be regretted if the opposite corner, where the unsightly latrine is situated, is not also brought under the scheme. As a matter of fact, it is about time that this structure should be razed, for not only is it extremely unpleasant for pedestrians who may be compelled to wait on the corner for a moment or two while traffic passes, but it obscures the view of motorists turning left into Queen's Road. While we agree that some landmarks might well be preserved from the historical point of view, the particular locality would be all the better for the immediate removal of this decidedly ugly landmark.

Traffic Legislation.

The new traffic legislation suggestions in England are not without their interest here, for naturally the majority of the revisions can equally be applied in Hongkong. We have received a detailed Report from the Headquarters of the A.A., London, from which the following extracts are given, together with criticisms and recommendations by the Association.

Speed Limits.

"Speed limits for private motor cars and motor cycles make no contribution to public safety and should be repealed without further delay."

The Association has from the earliest days consistently opposed the principle of speed limits for private motor cars and motor cycles, and has repeatedly urged successive Governments to abolish them. As a means of securing or adding to the safety of the public, fixed speed limits have not only failed to attain the object desired, but have afforded abundant opportunities for the prosecution of motorists for purely technical infringements.

Dangerous Driving.

"(a) A person who, is to be charged with dangerous driving.

should be notified either verbally at the time of the alleged offence, or by post within a few days of the occurrence.

(b) In the absence of notification at the time, the formal notification through the post should be accompanied by a statement showing when and where the offence was committed, with details of the occurrence upon which the charge is based."

It is recognised that, with the passing of the speed limit, there should remain no loophole by which the dangerous driver can escape punishment for this most serious offence. The penalties should undoubtedly be severe and Magistrates be given entire discretion to suspend the driving licence, subject of course to the right of appeal. With the tightening of the law, however, it is of the utmost importance that the motorist should be adequately safeguarded against all possibility of injustice.

Drunk in Charge.

"Incapability of control—whether due to drink or drugs—when in charge of any type of vehicle should be subject to heavy penalties."

The present law as to drunkenness when in charge of a motor vehicle, is contained in Section 40 of the Criminal Justice Act, 1925, which provides that a person convicted of this offence shall be liable to imprisonment for a period not exceeding four months, or to a fine not exceeding £50, or to both imprisonment and fine. Suspension of the driving licence for at least 12 months automatically follows the conviction. The Association is substantially in agreement with the law as it stands to-day, but is impressed with the view taken by the Royal Commission on Transport as to the difficulties which frequently arise from the uncertainty of the meaning of the word "drunk." A few months ago this point arose in the House of Lords during the course of a Debate on Lord Cecil's Road Vehicles Regulation Bill, and the suggestion then made by Lord Buckmaster was that the specific offence of being drunk in charge of a car should be superseded by the following:—"Any person found while driving or attempting to drive a mechanically propelled vehicle to be so under the influence of drink or drugs as to be incapable of having proper control of such vehicle shall be liable on summary conviction, etc., etc."

In the opinion of the Association this definition is a considerable improvement, and it accordingly supports the recommendation of the Royal Commission on Transport that this wording should be adopted in future legislation and made applicable to all classes of vehicles, mechanically propelled, or otherwise.

Jay-Riding.

"It should be a definite offence punishable by heavy penalties for any person to drive or tamper with any vehicle without the authority of the owner."

The law of to-day is quite inadequate to deal with those who 'steal the use' of cars. Cases are frequently reported to the Association in which cars have been taken away without the permission of the owners and sometimes badly damaged. Moreover, those who offend in this way are often the very persons in whose hands the motor car can become a most dangerous instrument. For years the Association has urged upon Parliament and the Government Department concerned the necessity for strengthening the hands of Magistrates in dealing with this offence, and recently the Association gave evidence before the Royal Commission on Transport, suggesting that a clause on the following lines, should be embodied in any new legislation:—

"Any person who drives a motor vehicle of which he is not himself the owner without the knowledge and consent of the owner of such motor vehicle, shall be guilty under the Act. For the purpose of this clause, the word 'owner' shall include any person to whom the motor vehicle has been lent by the owner, or who, for the time being, has otherwise the permission to use such vehicle for his own purpose."

Other Points.

The Report deals with many other points of interest, such as a minimum age for drivers, tests for drivers, pillon driving, lights on animals, etc. It may be mentioned that pillon driving is not considered dangerous.

Of Interest.

It will be of interest to the motoring community to hear that Messrs. Alex. Ross & Co. (China) Ltd., the proprietors of the Garage in Salisbury Road near the Star Ferry have completed arrangements for the extension of the Garage, by the addition of further show room space. The building operations will commence immediately. This Company also opened, on the 1st inst., a new garage situated in Ashley Road, thereby providing additional assembly and storage space for the convenience of their increasing clientele.

SIX-WHEELERS.

Portsmouth Adopts
Thornycrofts.

EXCELLENT BUSES.

The City of Portsmouth is the latest Municipal authority to put into service a fleet of Thornycroft six-wheeled motor omnibuses, thus following the example of their near neighbours, the Southampton Corporation and also the Liverpool Corporation, who have been operating these for some months with excellent results.

It will be remembered that Thornycrofts were one of the pioneers of rigid six-wheeled motor chassis concentrating on the smaller 2 3/4-ton type, principally for service overseas, where its capabilities of travelling across country rendered it invaluable.

Some hundreds of these Thornycroft vehicles are now running in Empire countries, and John I. Thornycroft & Co., Ltd., subsequently gave their attention to the larger types of six-wheeled chassis, culminating in their type "HC" six-wheeled six-cylinder vehicle for double-deck omnibuses, seating up to 68 passengers.

Now that these are available, municipal engineers have been quick to recognise their advantages, chief among which, and an exclusive feature, is that the Thornycroft design allows full movement of the rear driving axles without any distortion of the springs.

CANADA BREAKS RECORD.

By producing 242,054 automotive units last year, Canada established a new high record. The value of the production was more than \$162,867,000.

GETTING BAD BREAKS.

According to a recent survey taken in Indiana, U.S.A., one out of every 14 cars in that state has faulty brakes.

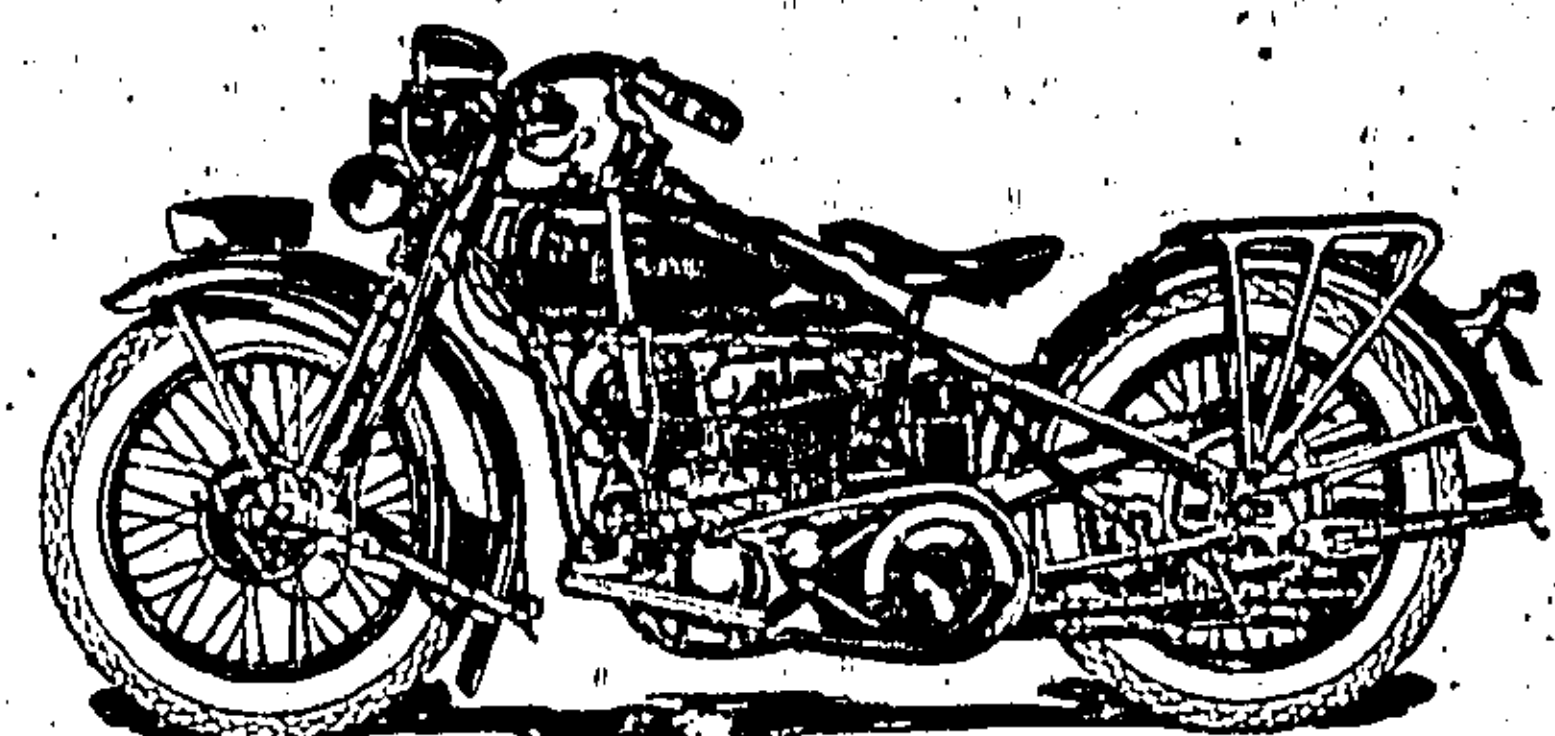
Talking in Millions.

The British Automobile Association has now issued over a million badges. The number of miles covered by A.A. road patrols during the last year was 26,000,000. During the same period itineraries were issued covering 234,000,000 miles.

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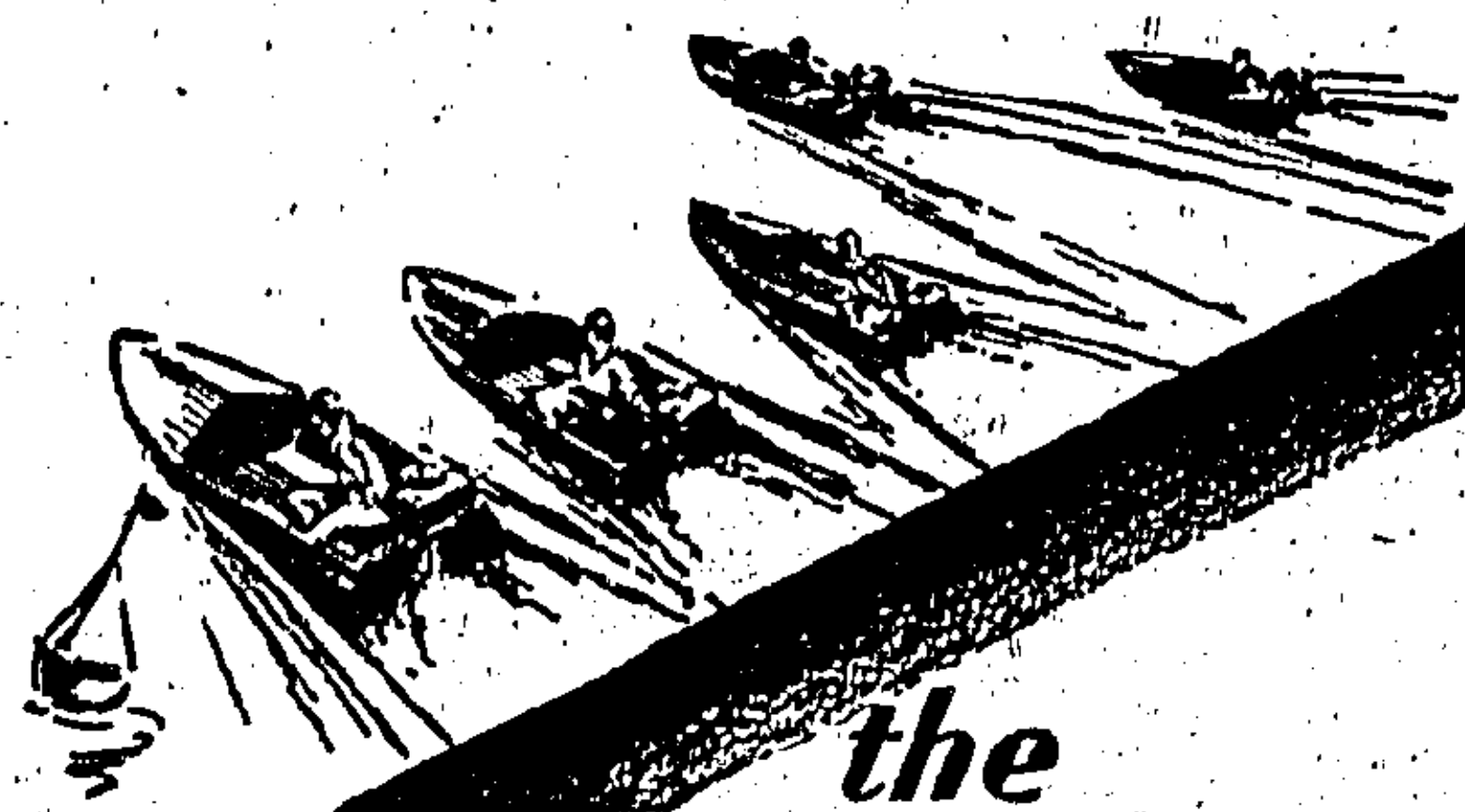
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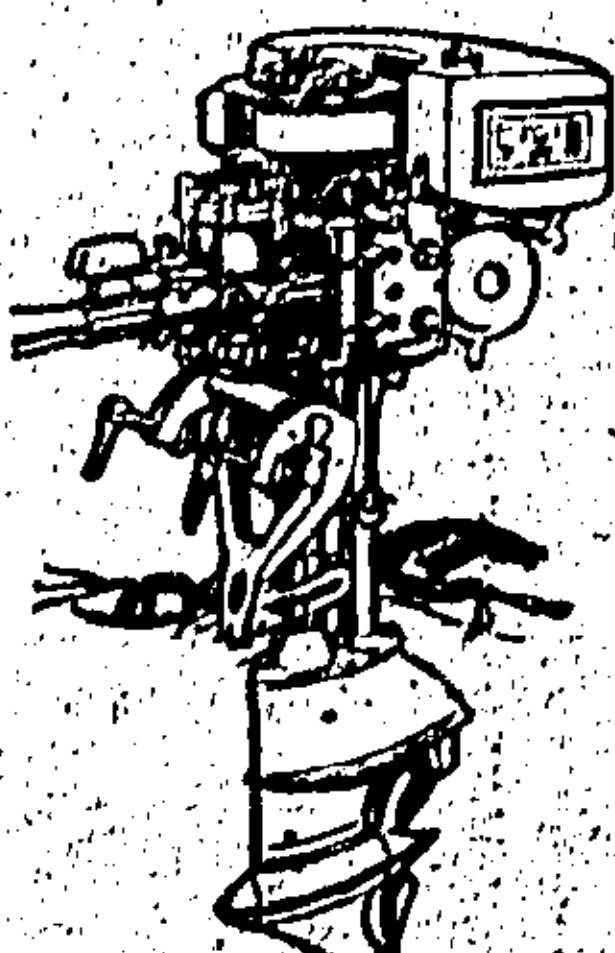


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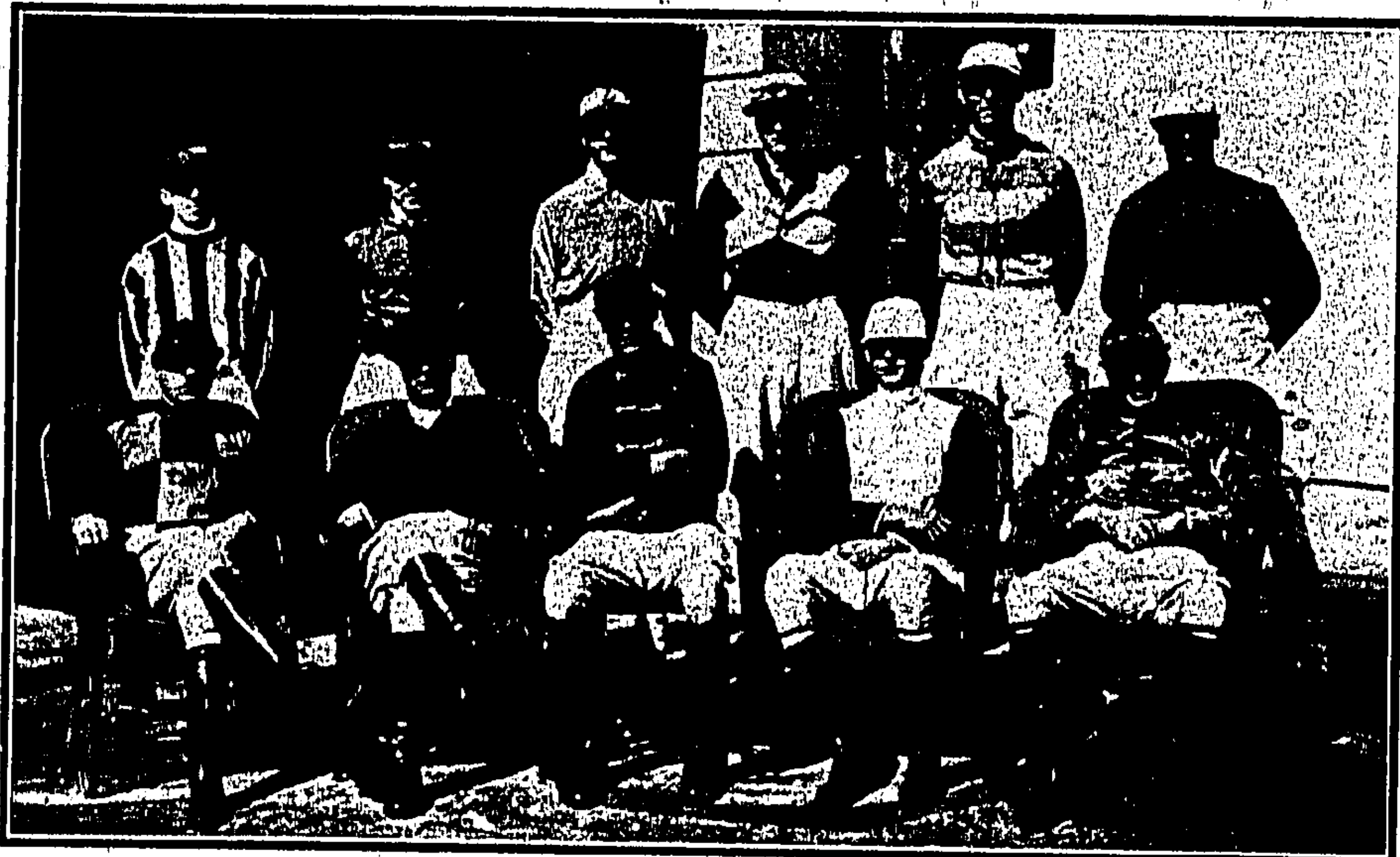
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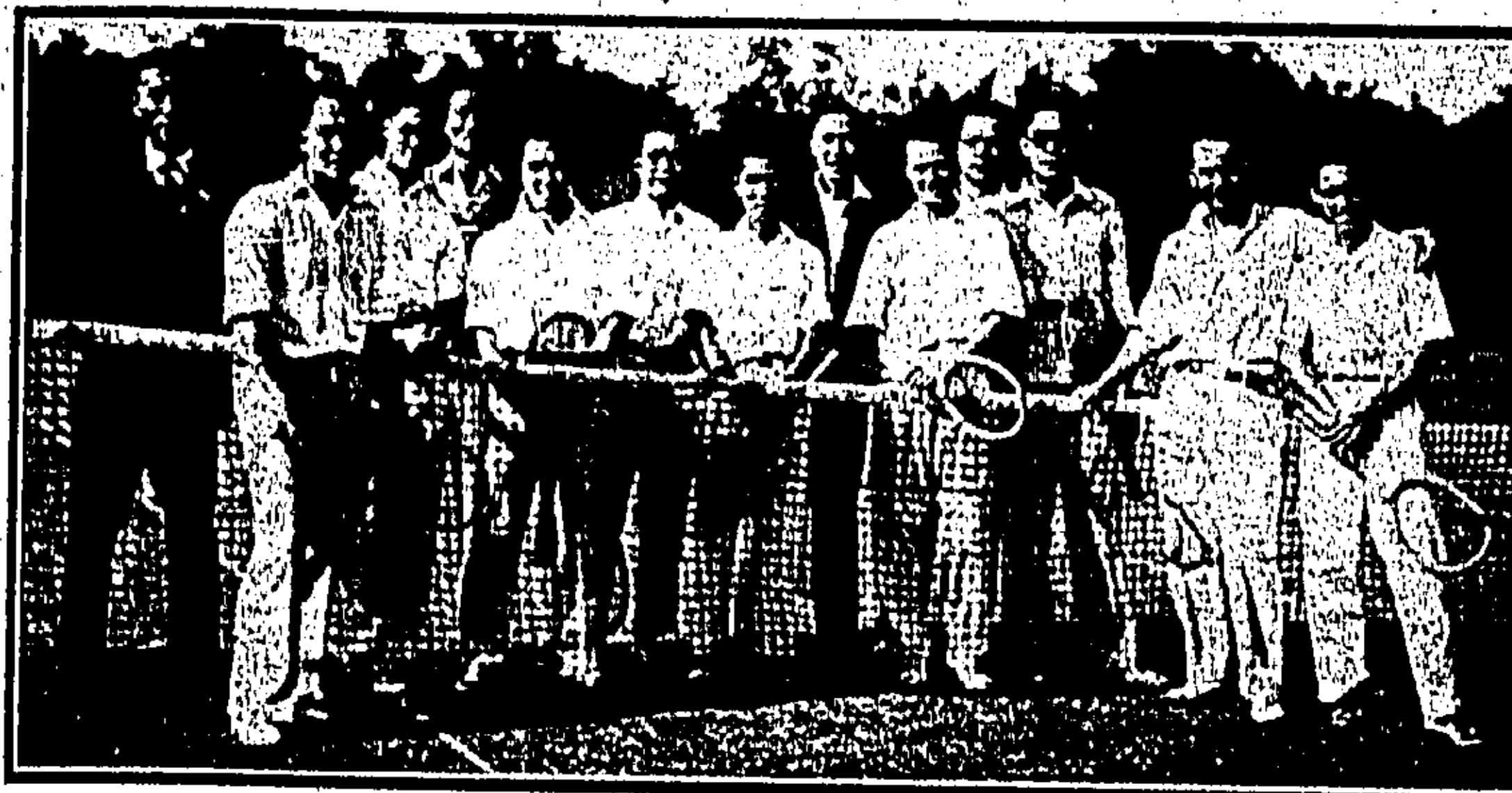
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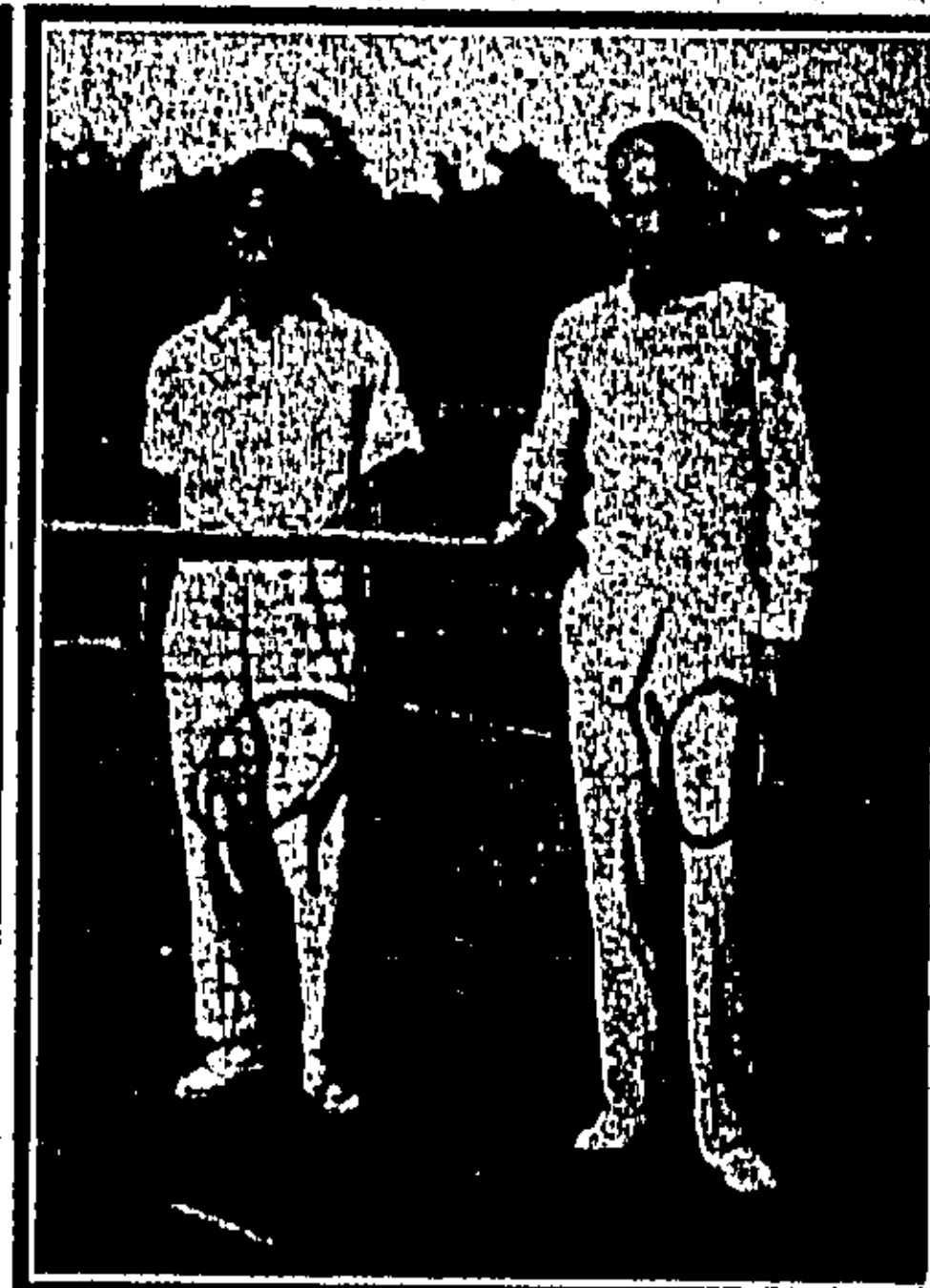
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Above is a group of the jockeys who participated in the Ewo Handicap, confined to Jardine staff men, at last Saturday's Races. Mr. Heard, who steered Monopolist to victory, is seen second from left, with the Hon. Mr. B. D. F. Beith in the centre. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



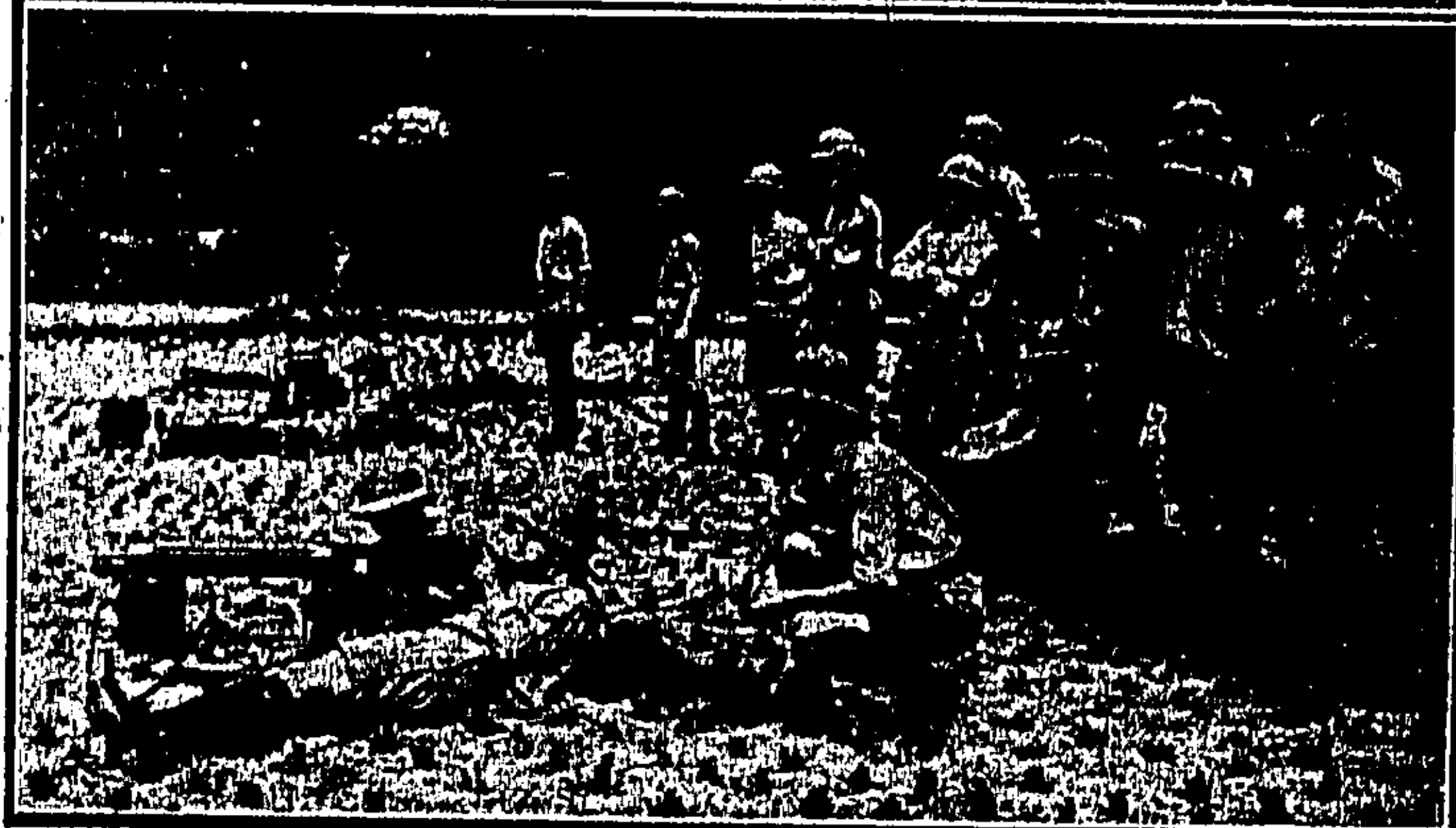
Players who figured in the Chinese Recreation Club's "at home" on Saturday. On the right are seen A. L. Rumjahn, Tientsin champion, and M. W. Lo, Hongkong champion, who played an exhibition match, the latter winning. (Photos: Mee Cheung).



A unique chrysanthemum, shown at the Kwong Wa Garden. It is one bloom of seven buds, called by the Chinese "Seven stars surrounding a central moon."



A high clearance by a Chinese defender during an attack by the Civilians in last week's Lal Wah Cup match, which the latter won by three goals to two.



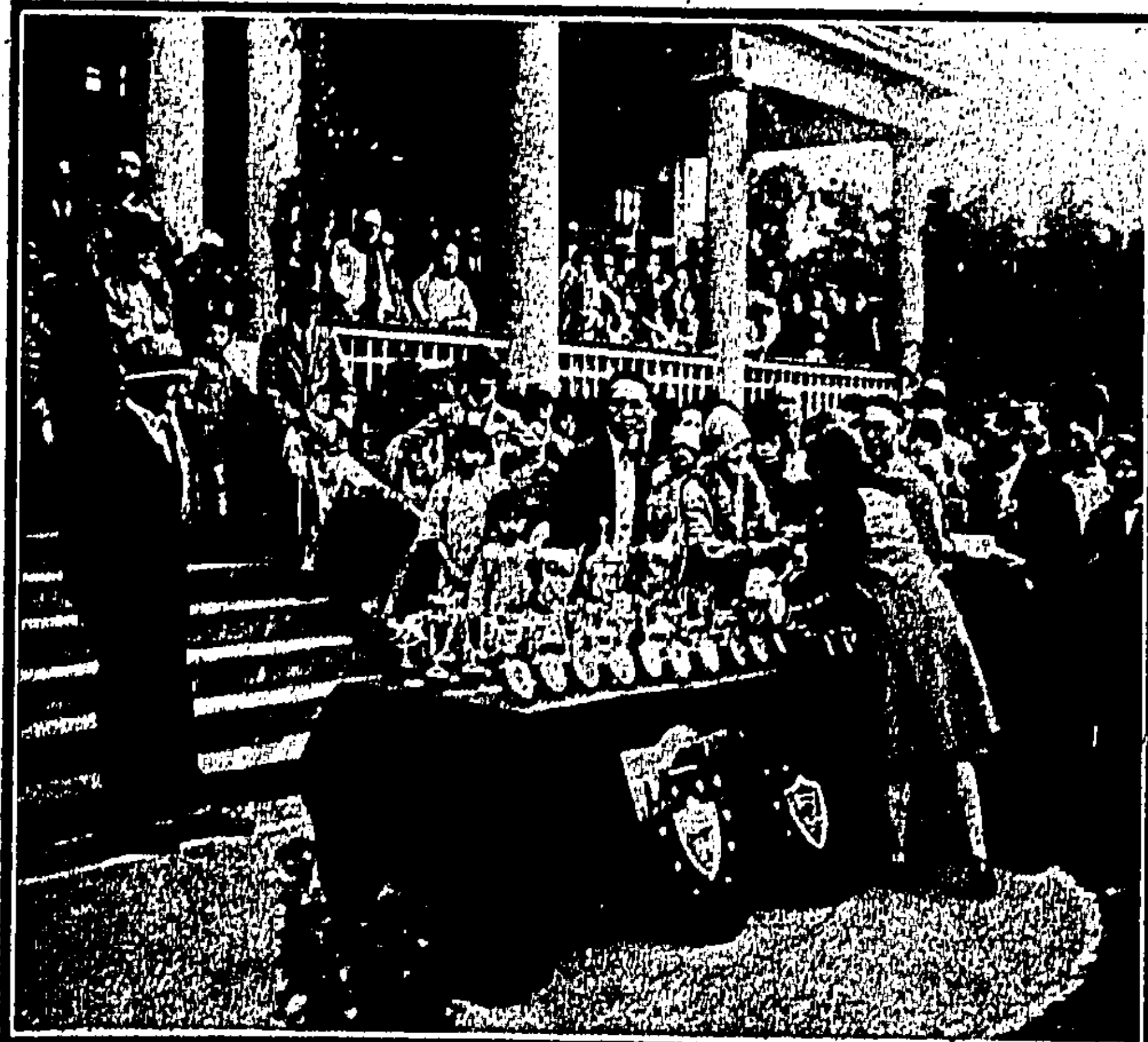
Snapped at the Volunteer Defence Corps camp. Top, some of the Scottish Company; bottom, members of the Machine Gun Company at practice. (Photos: Ming Yuen).



Mrs. Priestley leading in Boxing Eve, winner of the Glasgow Handicap ("A" Class). Mr. Charles is the jockey. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



A section of the Chrysanthemum Exhibition held recently at the Kwong Wa Garden. Mr. Tam Cheung, the proprietor of the garden, who owned all the exhibits, is seen with his family.

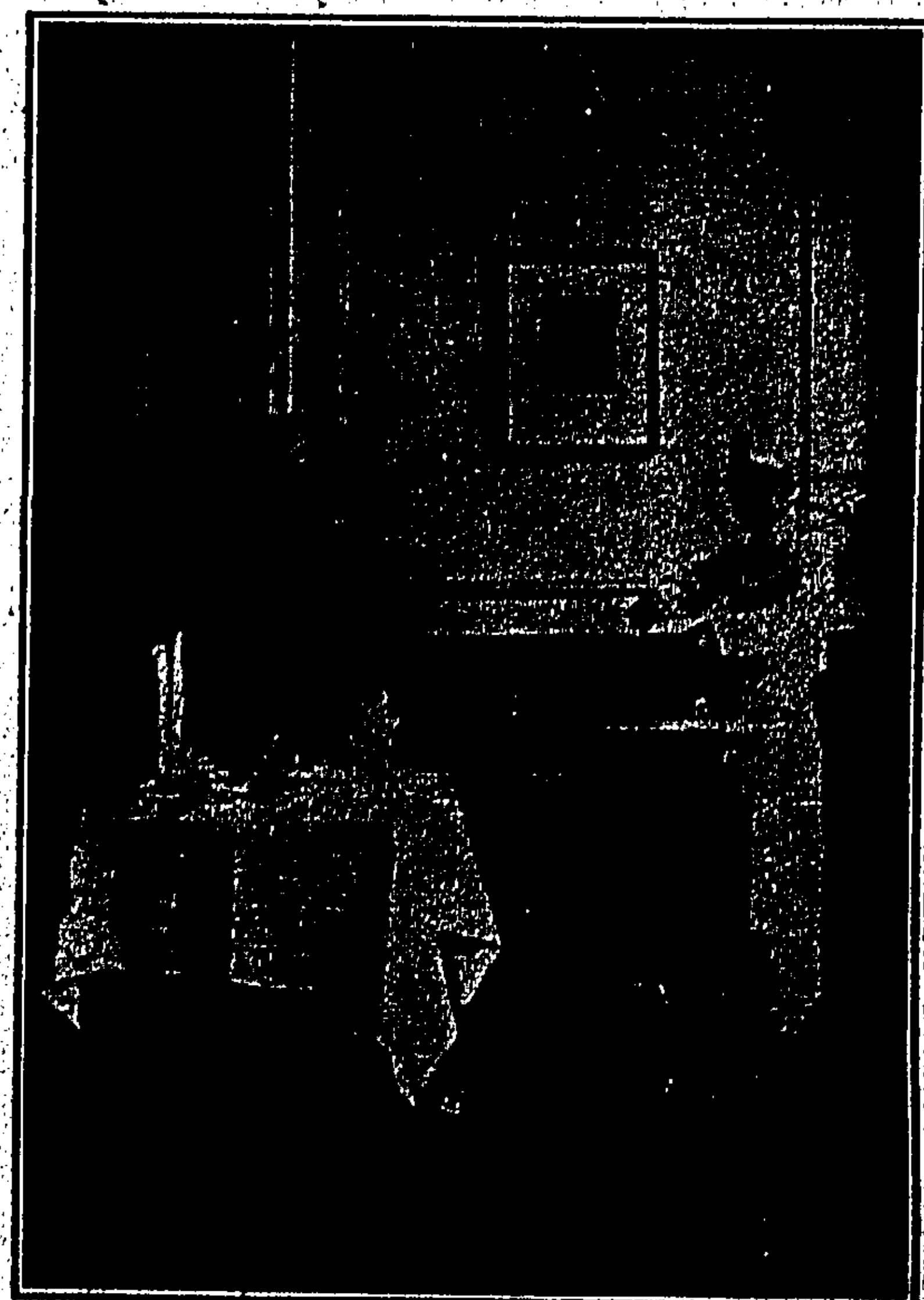


Miss Kwok Sheung-man distributing prizes at the Chinese Recreation Club's "at home" held at Causway Bay on Saturday afternoon. Mr. Ng Szek-wong is seen on her right. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



Bridal group taken at the wedding, at St. John's Cathedral on Monday, of Lieutenant Commander W. D. Brown, D.S.C., R.N., and Miss Dora Stewart. (Photo: Mee Cheung).

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WHAT THE "TALKIES" INVOLVE. NO MORE HAPHAZARD SCENARIOS.

Back in the old days when movie actors didn't know how to talk it was a rather simple matter to write a screen story. There were a certain number of basic plots around which stories were woven and scenario writers seldom strayed from these.

Another factor which made those stories easy to prepare was the fact that many directors "shot from the cuff," that is, they used no script. Directors so shooting walked on the set in the morning with only a general knowledge of the scenes to be taken that day. Situations were built up and "gags" injected whenever the need presented itself.

How different the preparing of a scenario to-day. Now every gesture, every expression and every word to be spoken must be in the script in addition to the general theme itself. Nothing is left to chance or the inventive senses of a director. He is handed a script and told to shoot it as is.

Writers Collaborate Now.

In bygone days one man, and sometimes two, used to write a complete script. To-day anywhere from four to 10 men must collaborate on a story before it is ready for the screen. Everything must be in it—the situations working up to the plot, musical numbers, songs, dances and dialogue.

There even is a difference in the writing of a story for the talkies of 1928. When sound first became an accepted part of the industry, stories were written primarily to show what wonderful things could be done with the new sound ap-



Although scores of actresses lost their jobs with the advent of the talkies, many others are attaining new successes. When an actress is selected as leading lady to John Barrymore and Al Jolson, gladness is not far off. Marian Nixon, right, plays with Barrymore in "General Crack" and with Jolson in "Say It With Songs." Marilyn Miller, lower left, is one of the many Broadwayites who has made a success in the talkies. The expert's thought Bebe Daniels, upper left, was finished but she is winning fame in the sound films.

paratus. Spoken lines and songs were put in whether they had any place or not. Then talking pictures were truly being made.

Now we have motion pictures that speak. And there is a vast difference. The script is prepared primarily for a motion picture.

If a musical number or a song is needed in a certain spot, it is written in. Dialogue is written only for the necessary places. Sound no longer is being featured—instead it is being used to enhance the motion picture.

As a means of comparing story writing of yesterday and to-day let us take two pictures made by Ernst Lubitsch, one of filmdom's outstanding directors. When Lubitsch was directing Emil Jannings in "The Patriot" he worked from a script written by one man, Hans Kraly. Appreciating the director's capabilities, Kraly merely described the situations. The "business" of the picture was left for Lubitsch to work out as he went along.

Delays Eliminated.

In "The Love Parade," which he has just completed, he had a script which was the work of many minds. Ernest Vajda, noted Hungarian playwright, wrote the adaptation for the screen, basing his story upon the play, "The Prince Consort," by Leon Xanlof and Jules Chance. The libretto, based in turn upon Vajda's adaptation, was written by Guy Bolton. Working hand in hand with that pair, Victor Shertzinger composed the entire musical score. And Clifford Grey, well-known London composer, wrote the lyrics.

Consequently when Lubitsch was ready to start work he had an almost foolproof script. All he had to do was to shoot his picture in accordance. Every dance had been put in just where it belonged. So had every song and every bit of dialogue.

It is largely because of these better prepared scripts that directors are finding themselves shooting faster than ever before. The reason is that there are no delays for "huddles" lasting three or four hours to determine how some particular scene should be made.

A MODERN WITCH.

A LADY WITH NASTY TENDENCIES.

Belief in witchcraft and wizardry still prevails even in these days in Southern Europe.

Only the other day a dark cruel looking woman named Camilla Illasi was, in Padua, arrested and charged with witchcraft and cruelty. It appears that this woman practised the "black art" at Bassanello, a nearby township.

Camilla seems to have wielded no small influence over her neighbours. Men and women come to her and pay her sums of money ranging from £1 to £3 for her counsel, especially in the matter of love affairs. When a maid dolefully longed in vain for a proposal of marriage from some likely young man, or a wife believed she had caused for complaint against her husband, or a man found his wife's affections falling off, Camilla would be consulted.

These consultations were directed in an efficient manner that, for a long time, the police were entirely baffled in their efforts to find sufficient evidence to supply grounds for an arrest.

This modern witch kept, as has always been the reputed custom of witches all down the ages, a great many domestic pets in the form of birds, dogs, cats, and rabbits.

When a worried customer paid the required fee and told Camilla all about it, one of these pets was caught, bound with ribbons and different colours, and subjected to a vilely cruel treatment. Pins and nails were stuck into the unfortunate creature's body by this modern "mate of the devil," who promptly interpreted the cries of the unhappy animal just as the augurs of old interpreted the doings of their birds.

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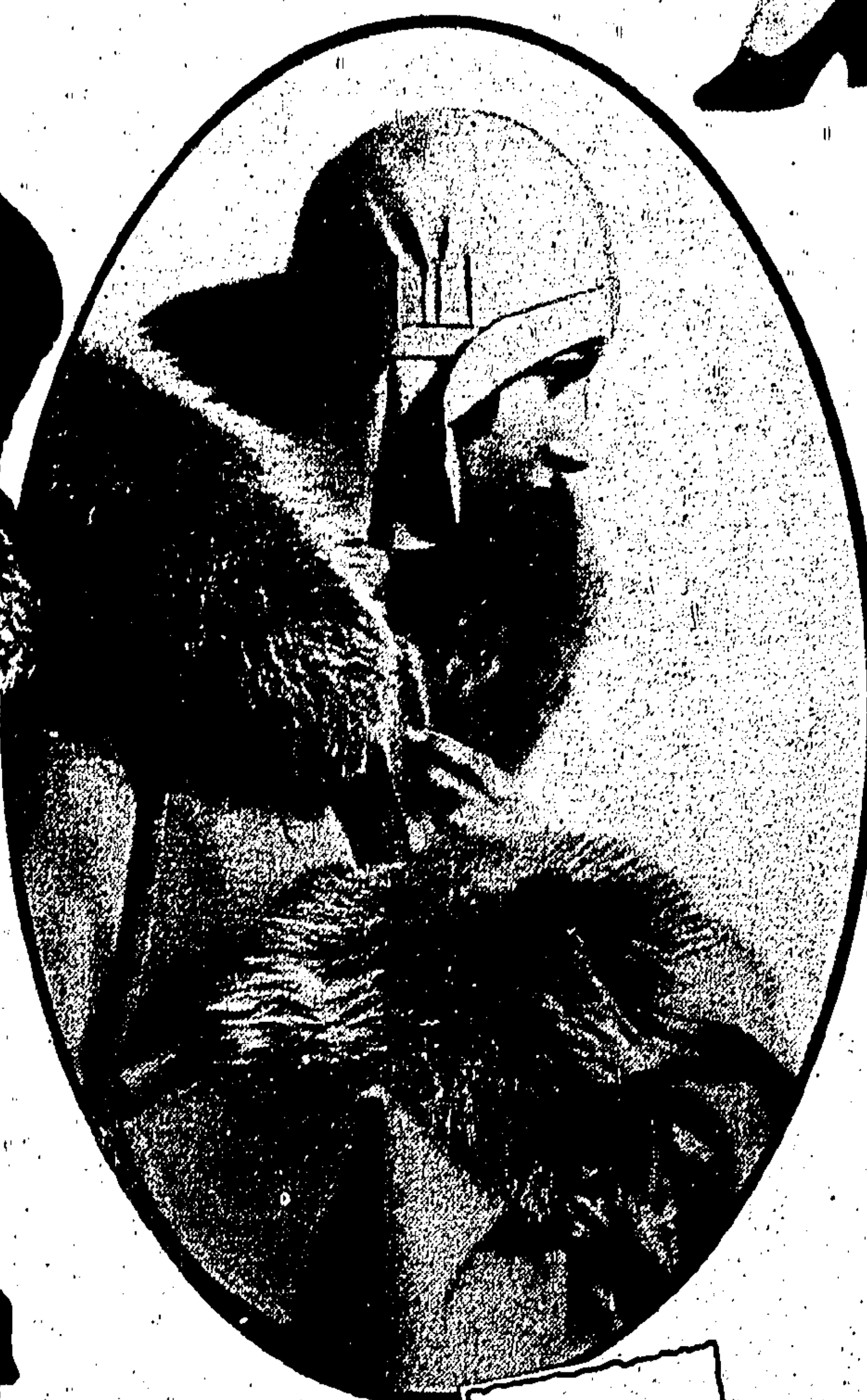
Patou Achieves New Distinction When He Adds This Muff Set To a Black Cloth Walking Dress.



Worth Stresses The High Waist Effect in This Black and White Tweed Suit.



IV This Philippe and Gaston Coat Of Broadtail Demonstrates a Drooping Hemline, Whose Flare Is Repeated In the Exaggeration of the Cuffs.



V A Small Fox Muff With Ruffled Cloth Edges Completes Jean Patou's Rose Beige Ensemble.

THIS winter sponsors the high-waisted, long-limbed silhouette because this mode crystallizes the feline grace of women.

All skirts are longer, even the sports ones. And the sports suits have foreworn the mannish, square types. The curving, circular skirt is more effective than the pleated; yokes are more flattering than stitched pleats.

There is richness throughout the new realm of fashions. Furs, luxurious, regal furs, are important. They fashion separate animal scarfs, scarfs cut in the design of kerchiefs, stocks, stoles and other shapes. They trim frocks for daytime, gowns for evening; they make jackets, capes, coats.

And muffs have come to light again! Paris has sent us some delectable ones, light as a feather, warm as toast and eminently feminine in their ruffled edges.

Caracul, broadtail, pony, astrakhan, galki, ermine, seal, squirrel, mink, sable, kolinsky, foxes, chinchilla and marten are all seen. Dyed lapin trims many a colorful suit and coat.

There is richness, too, in the gorgeous fabrics used for costumes this year. Take the patterned woolen ensemble for example. It is gorgeous in its lovely coloring, fine in texture, new and gay in design and pliable enough to lend itself to very original designs.

The feminine touch is the aim of every hat, frock and coat this season. Fabrics, colors and lines are co-operating to prove that while simplicity is always good, decorative simplicity has now come to the fore.

Three yards of goods will no longer produce a dress in a few hours, as was possible when the straight, boyish mode prevailed. Gowns are creations, made to set off beauty and challenge the personality of the wearer. Clothes have come into their own again.

1. WHEN evening comes, the decorativeness of the mode is shown at its best.

Bernard and Company uses black mousseline, pink mousseline and pink lace for this striking new evening gown that takes its own evening shawl made out of the three media.

The bodice of the gown is of the black, cut with a tremendously long pointed front panel and back panel not quite so long.

From this a deep flounce of the lace over the mousseline flares to floor length at the sides and back with only a slightly shorter length in front.

A single, huge, gleaming pink rose of cut velvet adorns this gown on one hip. Pink suede gloves are worn wrinkled down at the wrists. This color and this manner of wearing them is very chic.

II. THERE is elegance supreme in this dressy costume designed by Jean Patou.

It is a distinguished-looking black cloth frock for street wear, made with his silhouette that has

become famous for its natural waistline and long-limbed silhouette. This skirt has a front panel, flanked by two pleats stitched to hip length, and emphasized by rows of buttons.

The waist has tight, long sleeves, with flaring cuffs that button. The distinctive thing is the cowl collar with scarf ends, made of gleaming white ermine and fine black astrakhan. The collar, made of these two furs, is fashioned so that the black frames the face and the white side of the scarf ends are turned out.

The muff is of black astrakhan, with godets of white ermine in the ends to give it a curving grace. The black felt hat has an entire crown of astrakhan.

III. WORTH does wonders with this black and white checked tweed in a novel half-lined check. The frock is high-waisted, belted with a novel fastening, has a back and front yoke and the cutest little bit of lingerie collar that makes a very deep V at the front. There is just a suggestion of lace showing beneath this collar, one more indication of the richness of detail in this year's things.

The skirt has a deep pleat in the front and the gored sides have a six-inch pleat from the deep yoke to the bottom. Topping this cute frock is a matching three-quarters coat, with original cuffs that button shut, a natty wide-lapelled collar and deep pockets handy for all kinds of things.

With this a little black felt hat with the accepted forehead line and cute wings of felt that droop down the back is worn.

IV. PHILIPPE AND GASTON demonstrate how youthful the princess line can be when used for a broadtail coat, with pointed fox collar and wide cuffs.

This coat uses the dropping hemline, a line that many coats have avoided, but one that women welcome to top their irregular lined frocks.

There is tailored smartness in the trim shoulders and fine workmanship on this coat. The cuffs have exaggerated width and flare, an interesting contrast to the trim collar, but quite in agreement with the flare of the body of the coat. With this type of coat, a hat must be of that fine felt that tucks itself into a collar, or of velvet or some other pliable fabric.

V. ANOTHER distinguished costume shown from Patou is this rose beige ensemble of frock, three-quarters coat, and muff. Fox edges the huge collar and fashions the center of the muff.

Circular flounces of the worsted of the costume make a feminine ruffled edge to the muff. The hat to this charming ensemble is of fine beige rose felt, cut so that the front narrow brim folds back against the hat, while the side, pleated by hand flares down gracefully almost to the shoulder.

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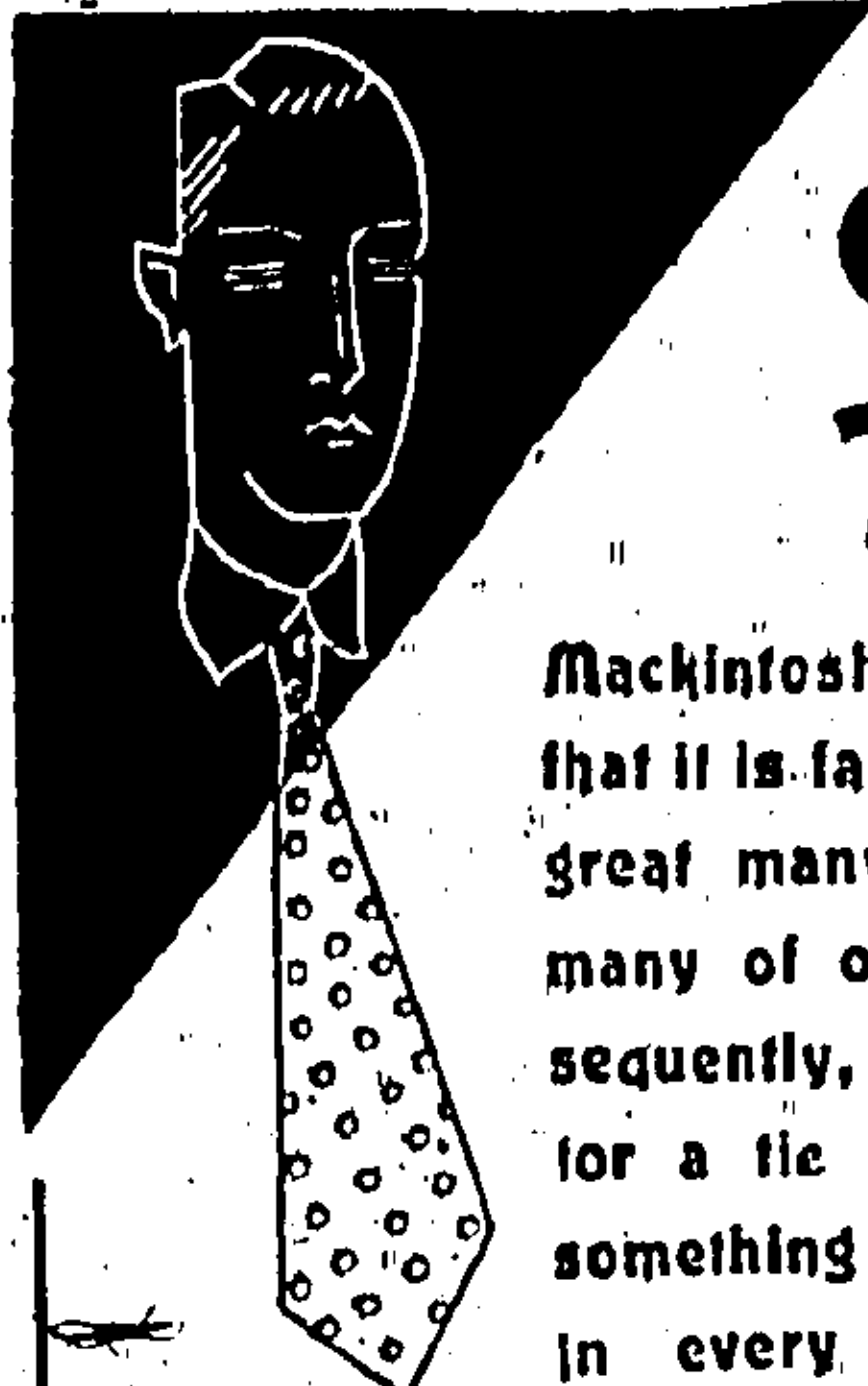
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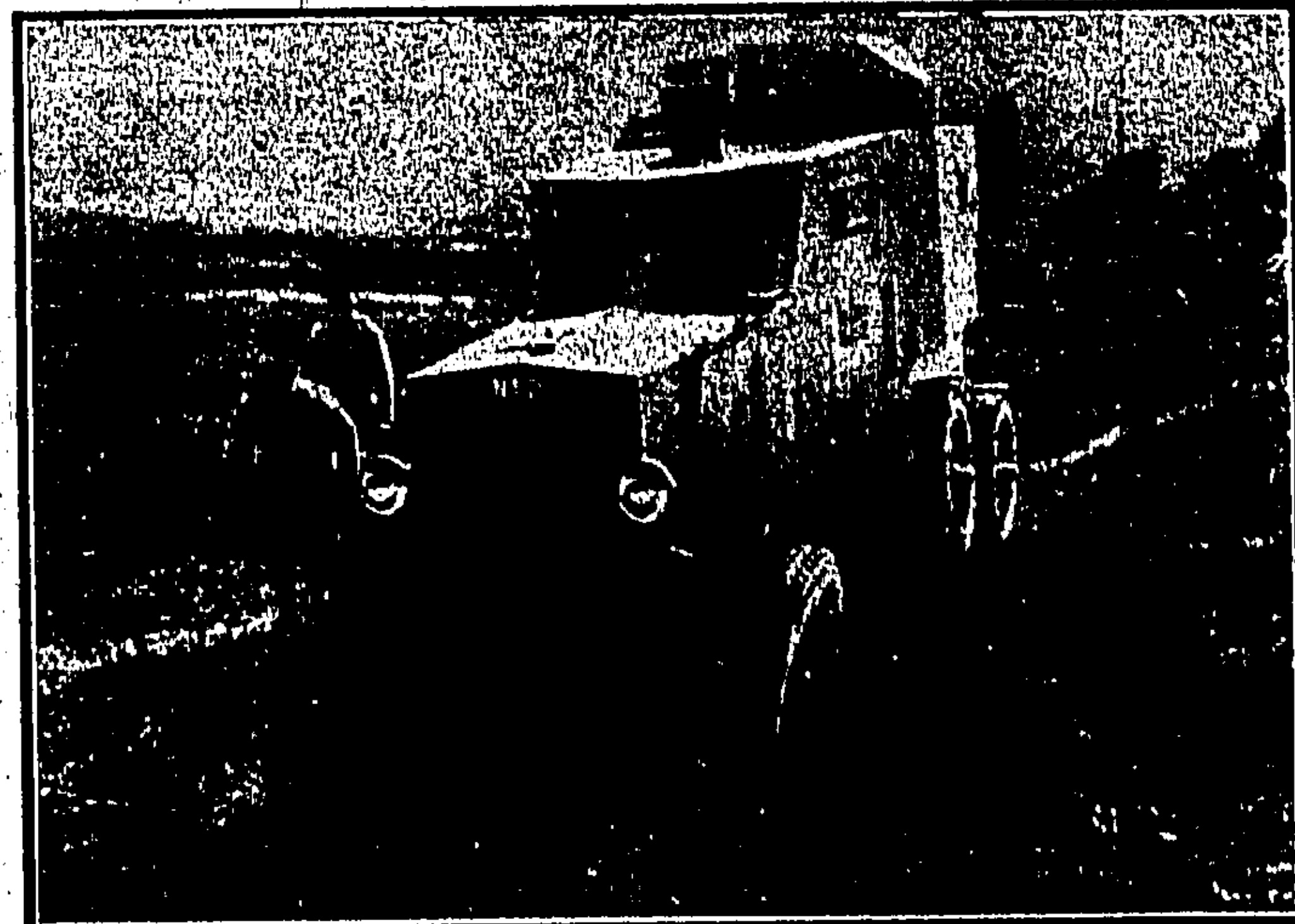
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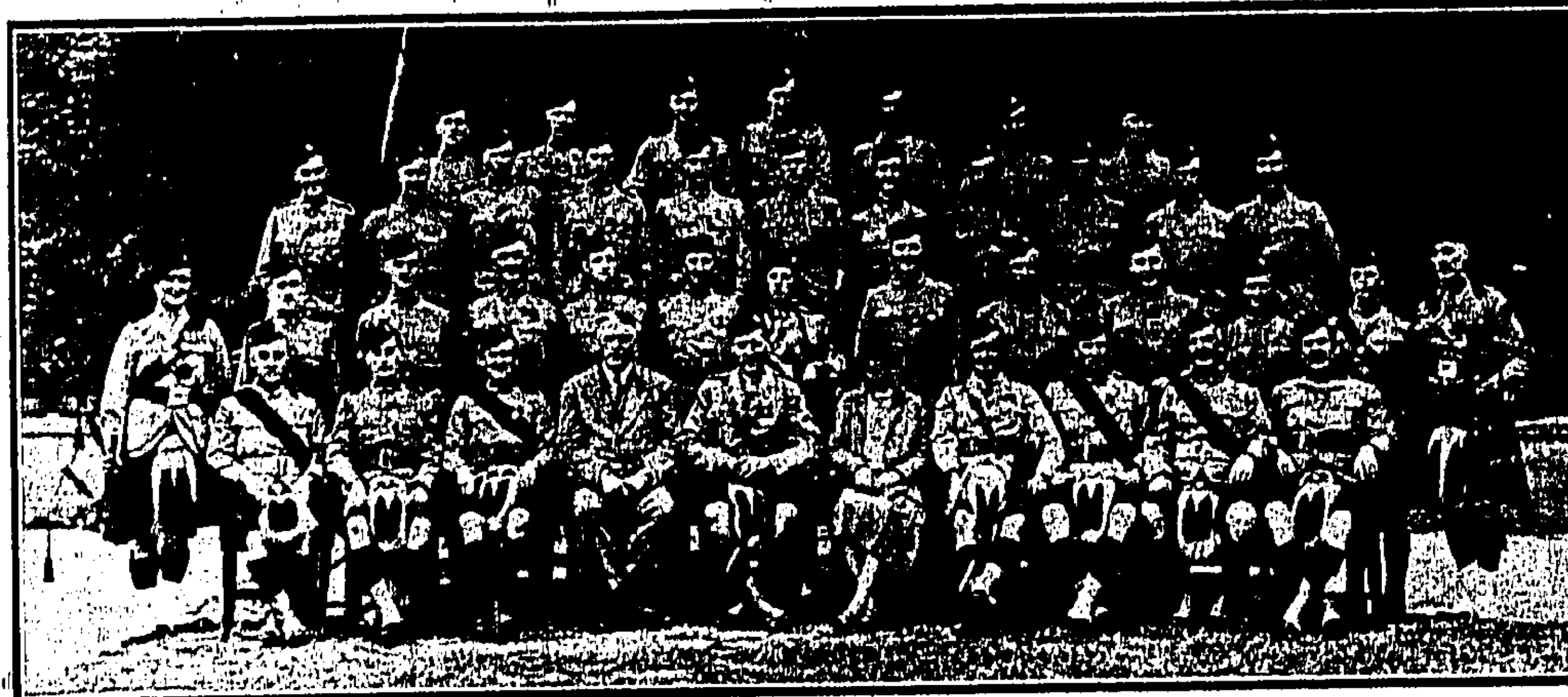
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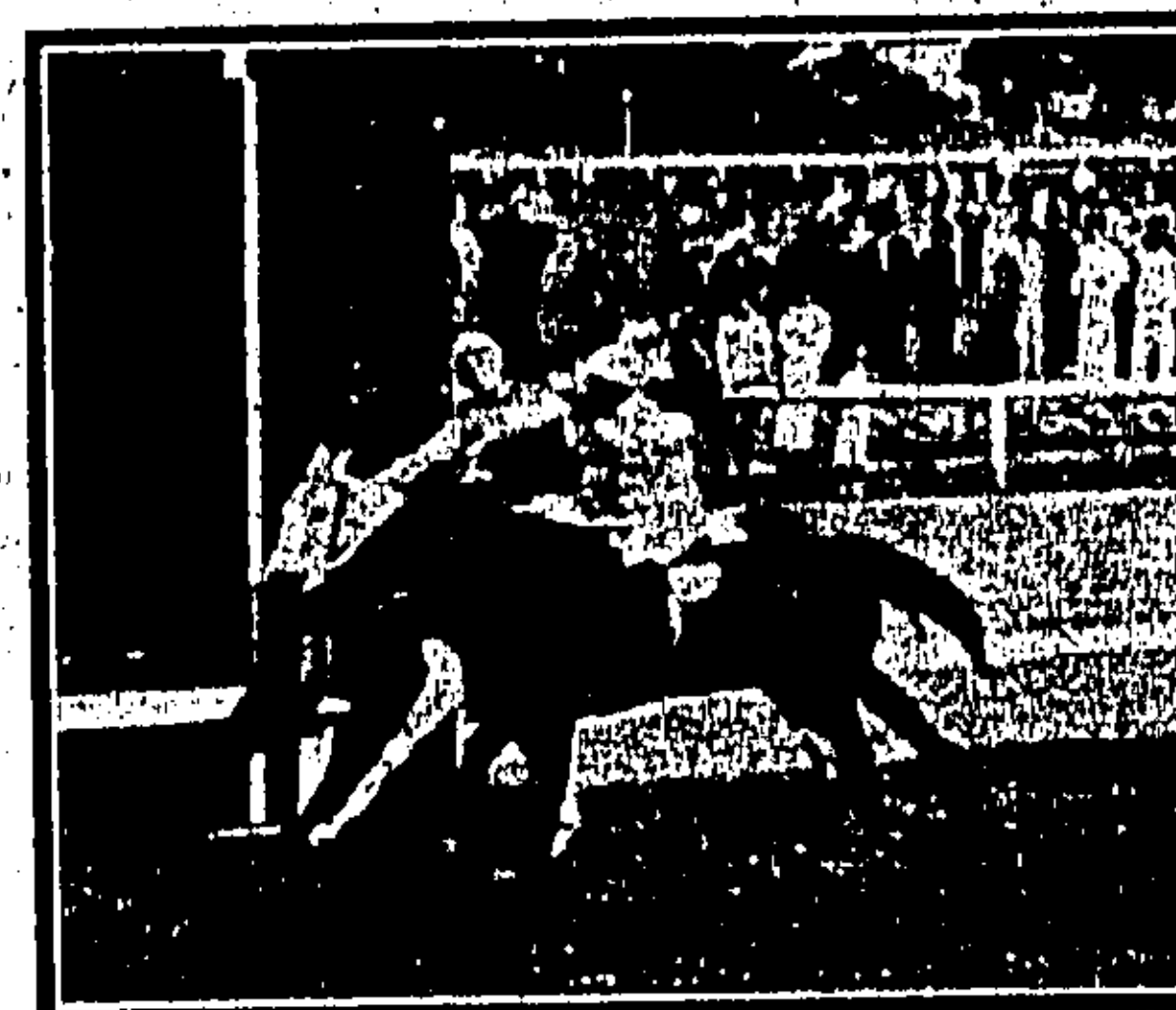
The Scottish Company of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps returning from their annual church parade at Union Church on Sunday last. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



One of the Volunteer Defence Corps' armoured cars snapped whilst engaged in operations in connexion with the camp in the New Territories. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



Members of the Scottish Company of the Defence Corps photographed after church parade on Sunday. In the centre is seen Lieut. H.R. Forsyth, Officer Commanding, with Mr. A. H. Ferguson (St. Andrew's Society Chieftain) on his left. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



One Third (Mr. da Rosa up) winning the St. Andrew's Slakes from Christmas Chimes, (Mr. Heard up) last Saturday. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



The annual display by the Hongkong Fire Brigade was held at the Central Police Station Compound last week. Above is a good snapshot taken during the afternoon. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



A pretty wedding was celebrated at St. Joseph's Church on Friday of last week, when Miss Doreen Byrne was married to Mr. A. S. Mitchell. The above group was taken subsequently. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

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The Hon. Mr. E.D.C. Wolfe, chief of police, presenting awards at the annual display by the Fire Brigade last week. (Photo: A. Fong).

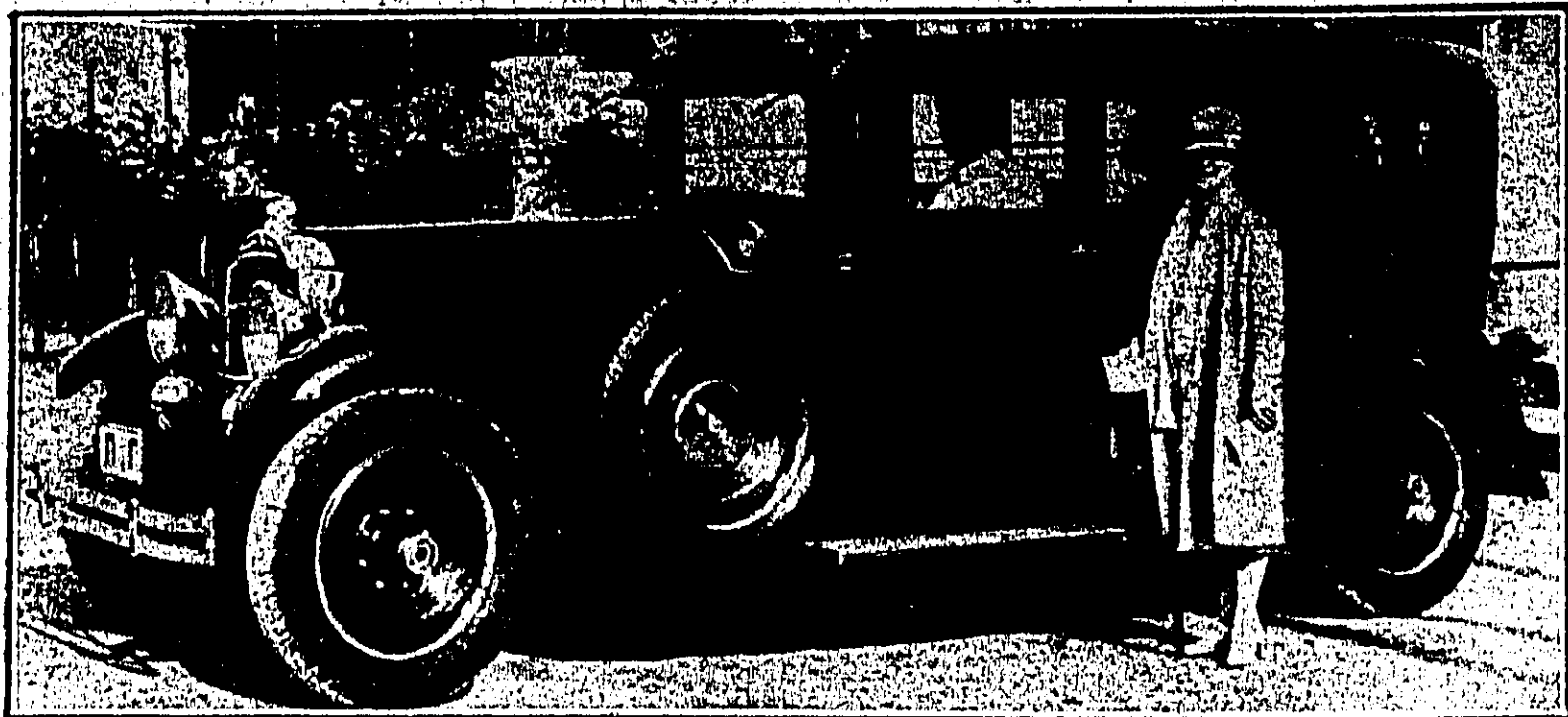


S. A. and H.D. Rumjahn (above) lost to Gordon Lum and P. Wade, the Shanghai players (below) in the tennis matches played at the K.C.C. last Sunday. Victory was secured by two set to one. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



Lieut.-Comdr. W.D. Brown and his bride (Miss Dora Stewart) coming out of the Cathedral after their wedding on Monday. (Photo: Mee Cheung).

GREEK PRESIDENT'S WIFE DRIVES PACKARD.



Mrs. Helena Venizelos, the charming wife of the President of Greece, is well-known for her civic, charitable, and philanthropic activities. She is here shown on her way in a Packard car to a conference on the new women's hospital which she is organizing.

DESERT TRIP.

Studebaker Through Arabia.

DANGEROUS TOUR.

Much as the automobile has supplanted the horse in civilized life, so the modern motor car is now making a bid for supremacy along the desert trails of Arabia, where since time immemorial the camel has reigned as the only means of transportation.

"The latest of these desert jaunts by automobile, which may eventually relegate the grunting, growling camel to a back seat, was made by Dr. John R. Turnbull, an American missionary of Nyack, New York, in a Studebaker Big Six," says Mr. H. S. Welch, President of The Studebaker Pierce-Arrow Export Corporation. "The journey, described by Dr. Turnbull in a

letter to the Studebaker factory, traversed the hazardous route between Amman and Jowf across the Arabian desert and supplied thrills aplenty.

"The natural danger of desert travel is not the only reason why this trip has never been attempted by automobile before, according to the missionary. Roving tribes of desert bandits whose business is the blood-thirsty looting of caravans make the route perilous, he says.

"The Studebaker which carried the plucky missionary and his party was obtained only after laborious negotiations. Its owner at first flatly refused to consider the proposition because of the danger of the route. Arrangements were made with extreme caution so that the details of the trip would not leak out. Dr. Turnbull's driver secretly secured supplies and a couple of attendants and the trip got under way.

Desert Sands.

"The black gravel plains of

Transjordan soon gave way to hot desert. The nose of the big Studebaker was pointed toward Jowf and soon all trace of civilization was left behind. What followed on the three day trip is a story of hardship fully understood only by those who have actually experienced desert travel. Scorching heat and dry sand; thirst; tantalizing mirages; the constant fear of attack; the powerful Studebaker, eagerly pressing forward but slowed down by the soft sandy road-bed.

"The first night's camp was pitched in a valley surrounded by low hills after a heart-breaking journey of 100 miles. As a precaution against attack, camp fires were forbidden. At dawn the journey was resumed. The route became more difficult—high sand dunes one after the other, necessitating long detours. By noon, Arfaia, an oasis 40 miles from Jowf, was reached. Here the radiator and gas tank were replenished.

"For the succeeding few miles the going improved, but not for long. At frequent intervals strips of closely growing sage brush were encountered which played havoc with the tyres. The great dunes of sand continued and impeded progress and nightfall found the 'expedition' still twenty miles from its destination. Again the dangers of a desert camp had to be faced, with members of the party keeping a sharp lookout throughout the night against a surprise raid.

"The third day found the travellers among weird, rocky hills, a relief from the monotonous sand, but far more difficult to negotiate. After hours of climbing Jowf finally appeared on the horizon and soon the Studebaker rolled into the winding streets of the oasis.

"In recognition of his daring exploits into the Arabian hinterland, Dr. Turnbull has been made a fellow of the Royal Geographical Society of London."

FORD CARS IN ULSTER T.T.

Achievement Arouses Great Interest.

Many successes have been scored by the New Ford in the last few months, but perhaps never before has it put up so splendid a performance as that of the two Ford touring cars that ran in the Ulster T.T. Race.

The race provided remarkable evidence of the speed, stability, and staying powers of the New Ford. So severe were the conditions that every other car in the same class as the Fords—and they included racing cars bearing some of the most famous names in the automobile racing world—retired before the end of the race, but both the Ford cars were still running at the finish. Not only so, but these ordinary 14.9 h.p. touring cars, completely equipped even to their bumpers, put up the wonderful average speeds of 54.7 m.p.h. and 62.4 m.p.h. respectively, on a course abounding in hills and hairpin bends, with the roads and streets often wet and treacherous.

As a demonstration of what the ordinary standard model, as sold to the public and displayed in every dealer's showrooms, can do, the Ford performance was undoubtedly unique. It is for this reason that it has aroused unusual interest. Competitive events will always be thrilling, but from the viewpoint of the average motorist, races have little practical interest. If important adaptations are made to obtain much better performance than can be expected from standard models. Hence the decision to enter touring cars differing in no way from those sold to the public for £170; it was recognized that they were in competition with cars built essentially for speed, or adapted to give high speeds, but it was thought that the result would be infinitely more interesting to Ford owners.

Two New Fords were entered for the race. The nominated drivers of one were A. S. Wright (who drove so finely in last year's Ulster T.T.) and W. Waugh, and of the other G. P. Masterson and J. R. Cuthbertson. They were entered in Class D, for cars over 2,000 c.c. and up to 3,000 c.c., which included well-known racing cars such as the Bugatti (six entries), and an Austro-Daimler.

On the Tuesday before the race it was learned with some concern that G. P. Masterson, who was to drive No. 58, was indisposed. The car was actually driven by F. McDowell, who had never driven a Ford car until the Tuesday on which the nominated driver fell ill.

As soon as the flag dropped at the start of the race it was clear that the Ford drivers were going to lose no seconds if the loss was avoidable. At the signal, drivers and mechanics had to run across the road, lower the hood (in the case of the Ford cars, put on a dust cover as well) get into their cars, start the engine with the self-starter, and get away. In the case of one of the Fords, all this was done and the car was away from the pit in 20 seconds.

The pace was hot from the start, and quite early in the race well-known names began to fall out. The Fords earned a special share of applause as they flashed by, often hard on the heels of one of the famous racing cars, and frequently passing cars of much greater power. Their cornering was one of their most outstanding achievements, and those who had the good fortune to be at the bad corners marvelled at the way in which the Fords were able to negotiate difficulties that were responsible for many failures.

It was when the rain came that the real thrills of the race began. Drivers were taking corners at the highest possible speed, well knowing that if they were met by an unexpected obstacle, such as a crashed car, their brakes would be of little use to them. Cars were skidding in all directions, and, naturally, the Fords frequently seemed to be involved in almost inextricable difficulties. Thanks to their remarkable road-holding powers, and the skill of the drivers, they were brought into control again, and the dangers that overtook many other cars from this cause were avoided.

Hundreds of people in the crowd yelled their astonishment at the speed with which the Ford drivers were taking corners and other difficult stretches of the course. In other places their speed was scarcely less astonishing. On some of the slight inclines both cars reached a speed of 75 m.p.h., and down Bradshaw's Brae they were seen to be passing most cars except the big Mercedes.

Particularly cheering to those in the Ford pits, however, was the magnificent way in which the cars were standing up to their work without fuss or bother. News came of this and that retirement from a variety of causes, mechanical failure prominent among them, but the Ford cars went on and on without a single hitch. Apart from replenishing them with oil and petrol, nothing was done to either car throughout the run. Despite the high speeds being obtained, it was not even necessary

to add water to the radiators.

The applause won by the Fords was redoubled as lap succeeded lap, and Nos. 58 and 59 were still to be seen among the fast diminishing number of cars. As the end of the race became nearer, every other car in Class D had found the pace too hot and had left the Fords as sole representatives of the 2,000 c.c. category. Some of the cars thus out-run were expensive 8-cylindered supercharged models, and all of them, of course, were far more costly cars than the Ford.

So well were the cars running, even toward the end of the race, that little anxiety was felt as to their ability to finish. There was great jubilation, however, when both cars finally completed the 25 laps, and one of the aims with which they were entered was achieved. It had been shown that a standard touring car could stay the course in competition with some of the most expensive racing cars in the world.

Later, the official times showed that the second aim had also been accomplished, both cars having increased the average put up by the New Ford in last year's race. The car driven by Mr. Wright completed the 25 laps at an average speed of 54.7 m.p.h., and that driven by Mr. McDowell at an average speed of 62.4 m.p.h. Both drivers are to be congratulated on putting up these notable speeds, that of Mr. McDowell being remarkable in view of the short time he had driven a Ford.

At the conclusion of the race, many people were intrigued to see car No. 59 being driven away to Belfast, carrying seven passengers and 254 lbs. of ballast.

There is little doubt that the achievement of the Ford entries in this year's race made a deep impression on those who saw it, and that thousands more motorists will

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Henry Ford's Proposal.

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TO STUDY TRAFFIC.

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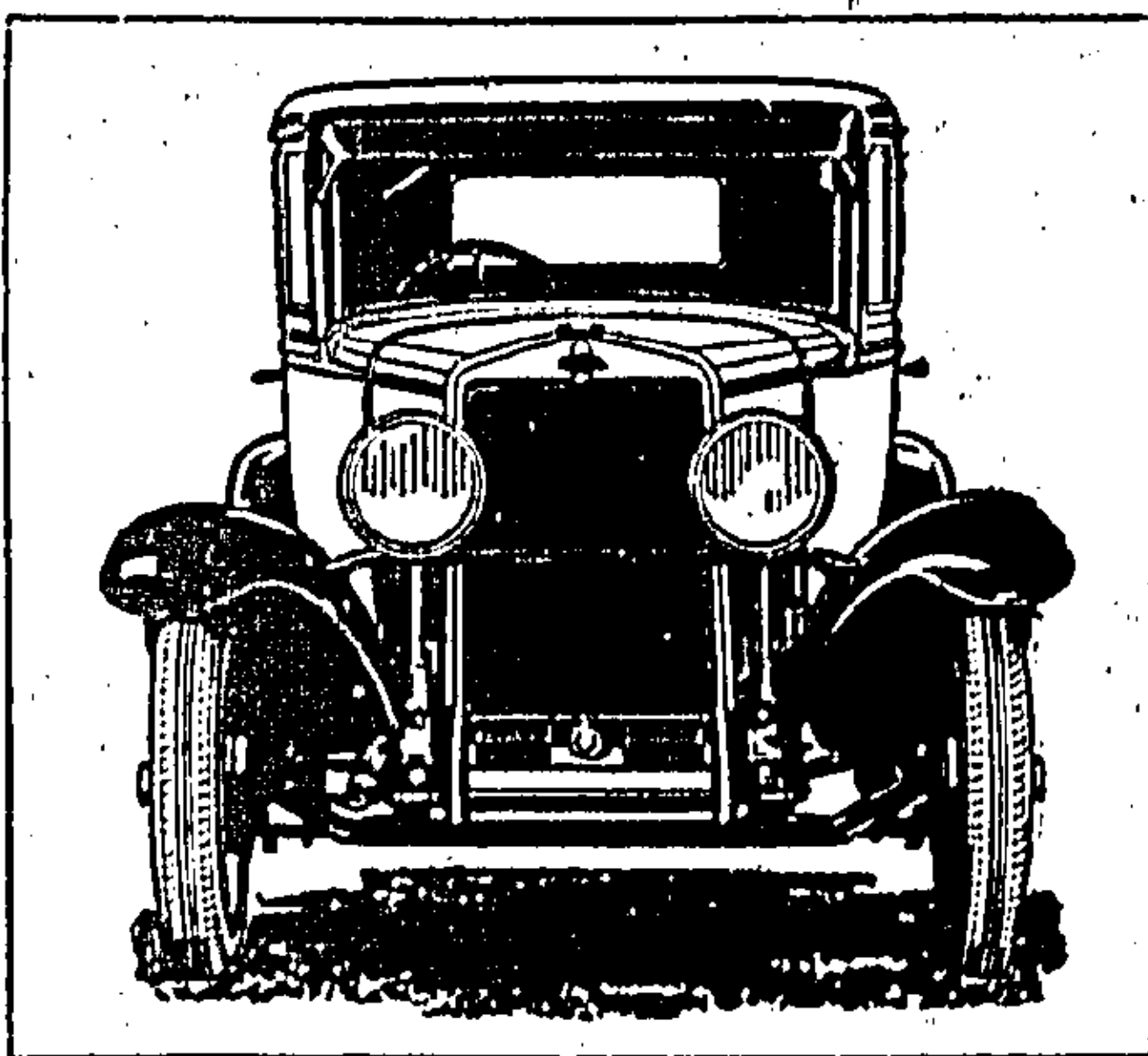
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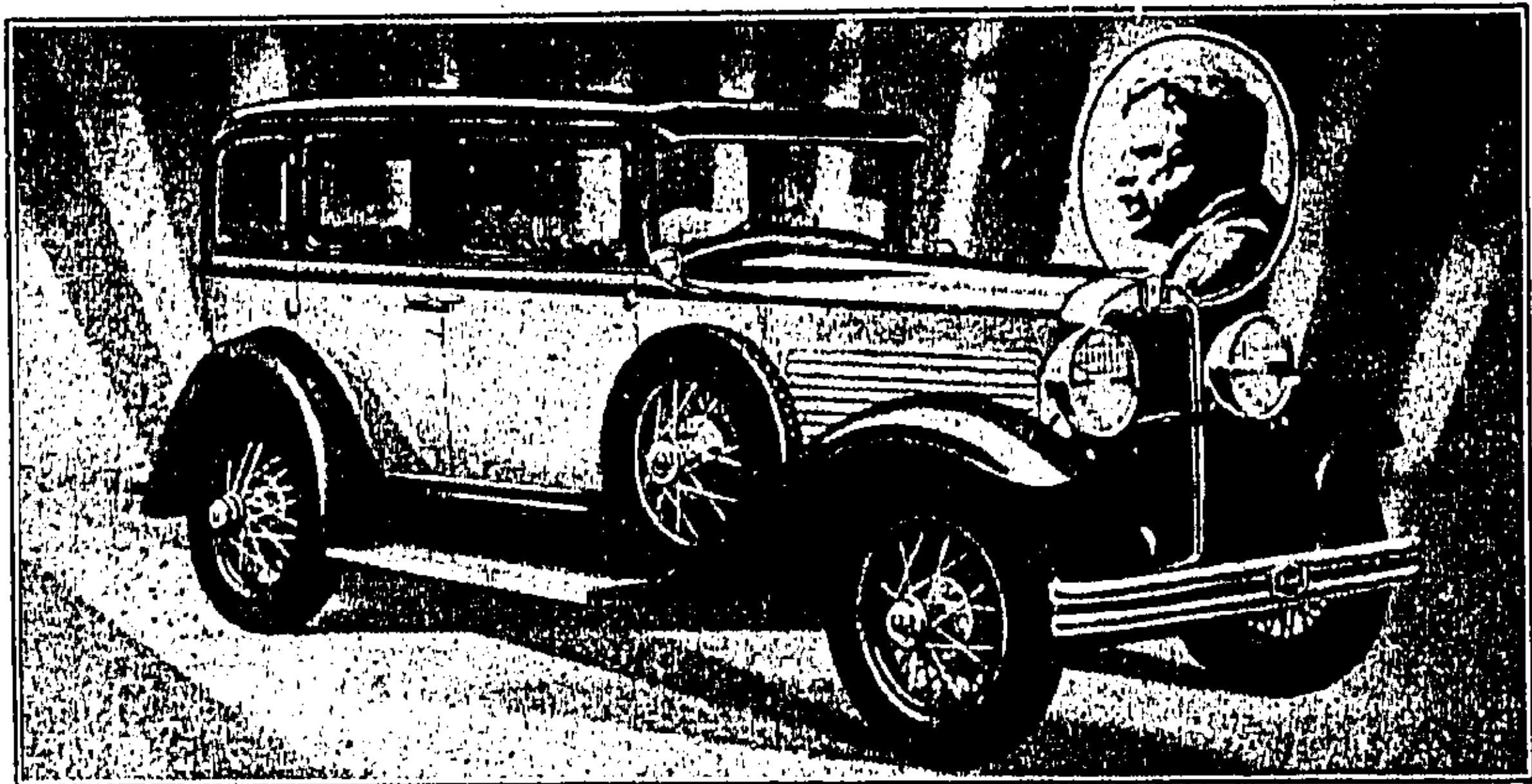
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(Shakespeare).

A Chat on Car Stealing.

(By a Barber Keene).

A number of cases have been reported in the newspapers of alleged car theft. In almost every case the person who "borrows" the car without the owner's permission has been found not guilty of stealing the car but guilty of stealing some petrol.

The more one thinks about it the more Gilbertian it appears. Take an imaginary case. A man goes to the Zoo and takes a hippopotamus for a joy-run round Regent's Park. Some people—especially policemen—might suppose that he intended to steal the beast; but, on the car-petrol analogy, he would only be stealing the hay and buns which happened to be inside the animal's chassis at the time.

Or suppose a man went to the Bank of England, and, while the cashier wasn't looking, helped himself to a few unattended £1,000 notes. He has only to explain that he had no intention of taking the notes "for keeps," but only wanted to take them temporarily for a joy-ride round the Royal Exchange. He might be found guilty of stealing some paper and printer's ink, but innocent of stealing cash.

Not Logic.

Law is not logic. According to Lewis Carroll's definition, "If it was so, it would be, and if it were so, it might be, but as it isn't, it ain't. That's logic."

Equally, one is aware that Law is not equity, but it seems not unreasonable to expect that where the unauthorised use of one's personal property is at issue, the punishment meted to an offender should be equitable. In other words proportionate to the magnitude of the offence.

Every encouragement is given to the gentle joy-rider.

According to a writer in the *Law Journal*, "the joy-riding nuisance is intolerable, and the criminal law should be empowered to deal with it. Stealing involves the intention to deprive the owner permanently of his property; joy-riding alone does not. If it appears that he took the car for joy-riding only, he has been guilty of a trespass but not a crime, unless he happens to have stolen the petrol he used for his joy-ride." But how can he steal the petrol without stealing the car?

An Intolerable Condition of Things.

A dishonest person might well ask: "Why should I go to the expense of buying a motorcar? If you require a vehicle, you annex the nearest unattended car, drive it to your destination and abandon it. This is the cheapest form of motoring known. If the owner objects, and sues you for taking his property, you explain that you only required the car for a joy-ride, and had no intention of stealing it, and the nice, kind magistrate will understand that you only required the car temporarily and not permanently." One is tempted to speculate on the benignity of the same stipendiary if his own car had been the one fancied.

Of course the magistrate may say that you are guilty of stealing half a pint of petrol? As for stealing the car containing the petrol—nonsense! Absurd!

Motorcars, as the law stands at present, are unstealable. They have ceased to be private property. Till the law is altered

there can be "no such a person" as a motor owner. There are car-lenders and car-borrowers, but no actual owners. It really looks as though if a thief supplies his own petrol he owns all the cars in the country!

Recently a very exceptional case was heard in Manchester. A man had taken a car for a joy-ride and, as usual, was found guilty of stealing the petrol only. Counsel for defendant objected to this, stating that the motor and the petrol were inseparable, because one was useless without the other, and, therefore, if he was not guilty of stealing the car, he was also not guilty of stealing a part of the car—namely the petrol. And he actually won on that point.

Roman Wisdom.

A legal friend of mine, a barrister, has kindly provided me with "counsel's opinion" on the difference between Roman Law and English Law.

In Roman Law a man may steal the use of anything without intention of stealing the thing itself. It would seem from this that *Lex* is logical if Law is not.

In English Law he cannot steal the use of anything, but only the actual chattel; and in any case intention to steal must be proved.

If we refer to the reports of criminal cases of only a century back, we find that this light-hearted "borrowing" of a man's transport was liable to be viewed in quite a different light, and the fact that the offender may have been a female was not necessarily regarded as an extenuating circumstance.

About the middle of last century, horse-stealing was a serious crime, and hanging was the penalty. The case of Margaret Catchpole may be recalled. She was a good, brave, honest girl in domestic service at Ipswich. She wanted to visit her lover in London, and, being an accomplished horse-woman, borrowed a thorough-bred from a field and rode it to London in record time. She was tried for stealing the horse, found guilty, and condemned to be hanged. With great difficulty a reprieve was obtained, and her sentence was commuted to penal servitude, and she was sent to Australia as a convict.

In Bygone Days.

On the contrary, in another case of horse-stealing one hundred years ago, two men, who borrowed horses, rode them forty miles and abandoned them, were found not guilty on the ground that they had no intention of stealing them, but merely wanted them for their temporary convenience.

A marriage of convenience is recognised; and so it seems, until the law is altered, is a stealing of convenience!

Meanwhile motorists must await with patience and humility, it would seem, the time when our legislators will realise that a motor vehicle is a personal thing, and invest our magisterial benches with powers to safeguard our movable property. Indeed, a car may express its owner's individual tastes in such a variety of ways, as exemplified in its special accessories, and care bestowed on it, that it is particularly hard that what a man will not willingly lend he cannot prevent being wantonly borrowed.

OPPRESSION.

For driving a car while he had one arm around a female passenger, a motorist was charged with "driving in a manner dangerous to the public," and was fined.

The Neckers' League rose in its ire and preached a wild crusade. From every eye there spurted fire. While every man and maid Resonantly and wrathfully repeated, oft, their pledge, They echoed in the shadows deep of every screening hedge: "By Heck! we'll neck."

"Now, Freedom! Shriek as ne'er you've shrunk. Since Kosciuszko fell; At liberty this blow is struck; At sentiment as well; Because one arm around a waist was lovingly entwined. And only one controlled his car; a gallant has been fined By Heck, one cheque."

While novice Neckers frothed and raged And swore they'd not be stayed,

More hardened members, deftly staged A "one arm drive" parade. They'd change this irksome law, they vowed, exhibiting their skill. And threatened any Government which flouted their sweet will. They'd Neck, By Heck!

Revolt was in the very air. A reign of terror brewed. While one-arm drivers, everywhere, Their fierce demands renewed. A Premier who revoked the law, said: "Put it on the shelves. The only danger Neckers make is peril for themselves. For woman still must catch a man who earns and digs and delivers— No check. Let 'em Neck!"—*Sydney Sun.*

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Model	Net Weight	P. & L. Delivery Price	Extras	Packing Delivery	Hongkong Price
Tourer	4-pass. 1,276-lbs.	£130	£3	£19 4	Od. £152. 4. 0
Saloon (Fabric)	4-pass. 1,264-lbs.	140	5	21 5 10	166. 5. 10
Saloon (Metal)	4-pass. 1,378-lbs.	140	5	20 4 11	174. 4. 11

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Roadster	4-pass. 2,083-lbs.	£ 63	£1	£31 9	11d. £197. 9. 11
Tourer	4-pass. 2,148-lbs.	180	3	26 11 10	209. 11. 10
Coupe	4-pass. 2,118-lbs.	185	5	34 5 0	224. 5. 9
Saloon	4-pass. 2,256-lbs.	193	5	25 11 8	225. 11. 8
Saloon (Folding Head)	4-pass. 2,256-lbs.	200	5	26 12 8	231. 12. 8

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R.A.C. Horse-Power Rating 13.9.

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Piston Displacement 1009 Cubic Inch. Wheel-Base 125 Inches. Speed 55 M.P.H.

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Tourer	5-pass. 2,278-lbs.	£190	£3	£31 5	9d. £224. 5. 9
Sedan	5-pass. 2,360-lbs.	205	5	29 16 11	239. 16. 11

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MORRIS-OXFORD SIX

R.A.C. Horse-Power Rating 16.

Brake Horse-Power 30 at 3,200 Revolutions.

Piston Displacement 118.5 Cubic Inch. Wheel-Base 114 Inches. Speed 60 M.P.H.

Model	Net Weight	P. & L. Delivery Price	Extras	Packing Delivery	Hongkong Price
Tourer	5-pass. 2,637-lbs.	£275	£5	£23 7	5d. £373. 7. 5
Saloon Fabric	5-pass. 2,694-lbs.	295	5	37 11 5	327. 11. 5
Coupe	5-pass. 2,698-lbs.	295	5	33 12 6	333. 12. 6
Saloon (Folding Head)	5-pass. 2,776-lbs.	300	5	32 18 11	337. 18. 11

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R.A.C. Horse-Power Rating 18.

Brake Horse-Power 40 at 3,400 Revolutions.

Piston Displacement 150.6 Cubic Inch. Wheel-Base 114 Inches. Speed 65 M.P.H.

Model	Net Weight	P. & L. Delivery Price	Extras	Packing Delivery	Hongkong Price
Tourer	5-pass. 2,785-lbs.	£375			£375.
Saloon	5-pass. 3,076-lbs.	385			385.
Coupe	4-pass. 3,200-lbs.	400			400.

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Two cities in Great Britain are scrapping tramways in favour of motor buses. In Greenock the lines and overhead gear have been taken down, and Manchester Council has replaced the trams by buses on several routes.

TIGHTEN NEW CAR BOLTS.

After the new car has been driven a thousand miles, it is a good plan to tighten all body bolts. At this time the padding placed between the body and chassis has had an opportunity to settle.

BAD TOWN FOR BRAKES.

According to statistics recently compiled from a survey of 200 automobiles in Chicago, only 6 per cent. of the automobiles in that city have perfectly adjusted brakes and 5 per cent. of them are absolutely dangerous.

RECORD FOR TUBE.

August was the record month in the life of the Holland-ventilator tube under the Hudson river. More than 1,110,000 cars passed through the tunnel that month and paid a net revenue of \$482,300.

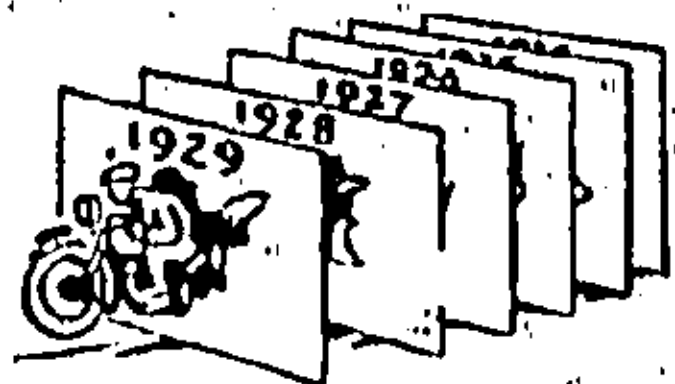
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NEWS OF THE WORLD.

Interesting Happenings Abroad.

Cuban Central Highway.

Cuba is building a 700-mile highway that will cost \$100,000,000, the forerunner of many more modern roads that will be built in that country, Central and South America in the near future.

The road is now more than fifty per cent. finished and will be completed the latter part of 1930. The first section between Havana and Matanzas was opened recently. It extends sixty-five miles. The Cuban Central Highway will be the finest modern type of permanent road construction, without grade crossings, either above or below the road and there will be no speed limits outside the towns.

The highway will extend from the city of Pinar del Rio, in the province of the same name, on the west, to Santiago de Cuba on the East. It passes through the capitals of the six provinces of Cuba, including Havana and Matanzas.

Construction of secondary roads to connect the Cuban Central Highway with all important ports of the island, and to develop all important agricultural zones has already begun. When these feeder roads are built, total construction costs will be in the neighbourhood of \$300,000,000.

Important economic and social results are expected to follow the completion of the road which will penetrate sections where one seldom sees any vehicles, but heavy ox carts. About two-thirds of the road is being built up from the foundations of existing roads and trails but part is through primeval forests and jungles.

The cost of the Cuban Central Highway was originally estimated at \$75,000,000. Extensions have since brought this sum up to approximately \$100,000,000, including drainage, grading and bridges. The highway has a measured

length of 692 miles of which practically all the grading is finished. 60 to 70 per cent. of the culverts and bridges built, and 30 to 40 per cent. of the pavement laid. More than 11,000 men are now at work on the gigantic road building project. It is a delightful road to travel, all sections being smooth and without heavy grades or sharp curves. Speed laws are strictly enforced within the town limits but in the country there will be practically no limits.

International signs, agreed upon at the Paris Conference, will be used to warn of approaches to curves, bridges and towns. Distances are being marked by kilometer posts, and gasoline stations have already been erected along completed sections.

The Cuban Central Highway will eventually form part of the proposed Inter-American Highway that will link all the countries of the American Continent, from Canada to Chile.

From Java to Belgium.

The managing director of N. V. General Motors Java, located at Batavia, was at his desk recently when he was asked questions which could be answered most satisfactorily by the managing director of General Motors Continental, at Antwerp, Belgium. It takes thirty days for mail to go from Batavia to Antwerp. A cable could be sent and a reply received in four hours, but the difference in time made the use of cables at that moment unsatisfactory. So, a transoceanic and radio hook-up was arranged and a conversation carried on by two automobile executives 8,449 miles apart. It was probably the longest distance ever spanned by a telephone conversation.

China Branch.

Operations of General Motors in China are to be handled in part by a new subsidiary known as General Motors China, Inc., which has just been organised with headquarters in Shanghai. Formation of the new Chinese company marks an important expansion of the overseas interests of General Motors.

Czecho-Slovakia.

The Minister of Finance of Czecho-Slovakia states that in 1927, 115 million crowns' worth of tyres were imported, an amount entirely out of proportion to the number of vehicles in use, due to the poor condition of the roads.

Compared with automobile traffic in France and Germany, where the roads are in good repair, Czecho-Slovakia uses three times the number of tyres. All rubber products are imported and this is one of the principal arguments used by the Department of Communications in asserting that money spent in the upkeep and construction of roads would, among other advantages bring an economy in such huge imports, made necessary by the actual condition of the road network.

For Holland.

After having subjected the automobile trucks of several leading foreign manufacturers to a six months' test, the Post Office Department of the Netherlands decided to purchase thirty-two mail trucks from the Opel Works of Rüsselsheim, Germany, a General Motors subsidiary. Sales made at the recent automobile show, in Amsterdam indicate that the future of automobile expansion lies among the more comfortable farmers outside the already motorized provinces of North Holland, South Holland and Utrecht.

Sahara Desert.

Two important automobile races are to be run next year from Algeria to the Sudan. The more important of the two will be known as the "Grand Prix du Sahara." These races will be a landmark in the history of the great African desert; they will show the world how the actual means of communications across the sandy hills or through the stony wilderness, have been made easy. New tracks have been created and the old camel caravan routes greatly improved. The tracks over the Algerian Sahara now cover about 3,000 kilometres.

More French Cars.

France is now building 34 per cent. of the European production of automobiles, the equal of England, and second only to the United States as a manufacturer of cars. Last year 200,000 motor cars were made in France; this year the number will be between 250,000 and 280,000. The number of workers employed in manufacture

A GREAT "EIGHT."

The Latest Hillman.

MODERATE PRICE.

For sheer value, the Hillman Straight-Eight saloon is perhaps the most outstanding of the range from the Coventry factory. This is now made in both Safety and standard types. The latter, a British-built eight-cylinder car, with a six-light saloon body, is listed at £445 only. At this figure it is far and away the cheapest British Straight-Eight, yet from the viewpoints of appearance, performance and comfort, it might well be far more costly. The Safety saloon is listed at £485, and its specification includes Dewandre brakes, unsplinterable glass all round, wire wheels and furniture hide upholstery, these refinements applying to all Safety and Seagrave models.

Other models of the Straight-Eight range are the Tourer (£490) and Safety Tourer (£445), the Weymann saloon (£485) and the Drop Head (£510). The bodywork of the latter car is particularly fine; the head is easy to fold, yet when raised it is rattle and draught-proof. The front seat accommodates three persons comfortably, whilst there is room for two more in the dicky. The lid of this, incidentally, is controlled by a lever on the driver's right hand, so that it is unnecessary to get out of the car to open it.

of automobiles in the country is more than 200,000.

Melbourne Parking.

Automobile owners in Melbourne, Australia, must pay for the privilege of parking their cars. The City Council, in an attempt to restrict parking, has adopted new by-laws permitting parking only on certain streets throughout the day. The revenue derived therefore goes into the municipal treasury. Parking fees are a shilling a day; five shillings a week, one pound a month, five pounds, ten shillings for six months, and ten pounds a year.

Around the World.

At General Motor Proving Ground, during 1928, approximately eight and a half million miles were driven by 180 test-drivers. Based upon these figures, the work of each driver for one year, has necessitated his driving a total distance of almost fifty thousand miles, twice the earth's circumference.

Tom-Toms Bring Buyers.

At Delhi, India, a Chevrolet dealer had the problem recently of finding some way to get the story of the various qualities of Chevrolet before the people in the outlying rural districts. Finally, he sent two big bearded Sikhs armed with tom-tom drums into the country towns and the beating of the drums soon brought a crowd. After the crowd was assembled, a talk was given on the enduring qualities, riding comforts and economy of operation of the new car. The interesting fact is that not only were the names of prospects obtained but cars were actually sold.

Pioneering with Cars.

The most fundamental of all modern social revolutions has been wrought by the automobiles. General Motors Corporation has been the largest contributor to the benefits that are derived from automotive transportation. General Motors last year introduced more automobiles to overseas territories than all other manufacturers combined. It has blazed motor trails into the least civilized outposts of the world.

Highways in Java.

Some of the most beautiful highways in the world are on the island of Java. Trees, planted along the roadsides, have a charming effect on travel on the island, more than 15,000 miles of road being shaded.

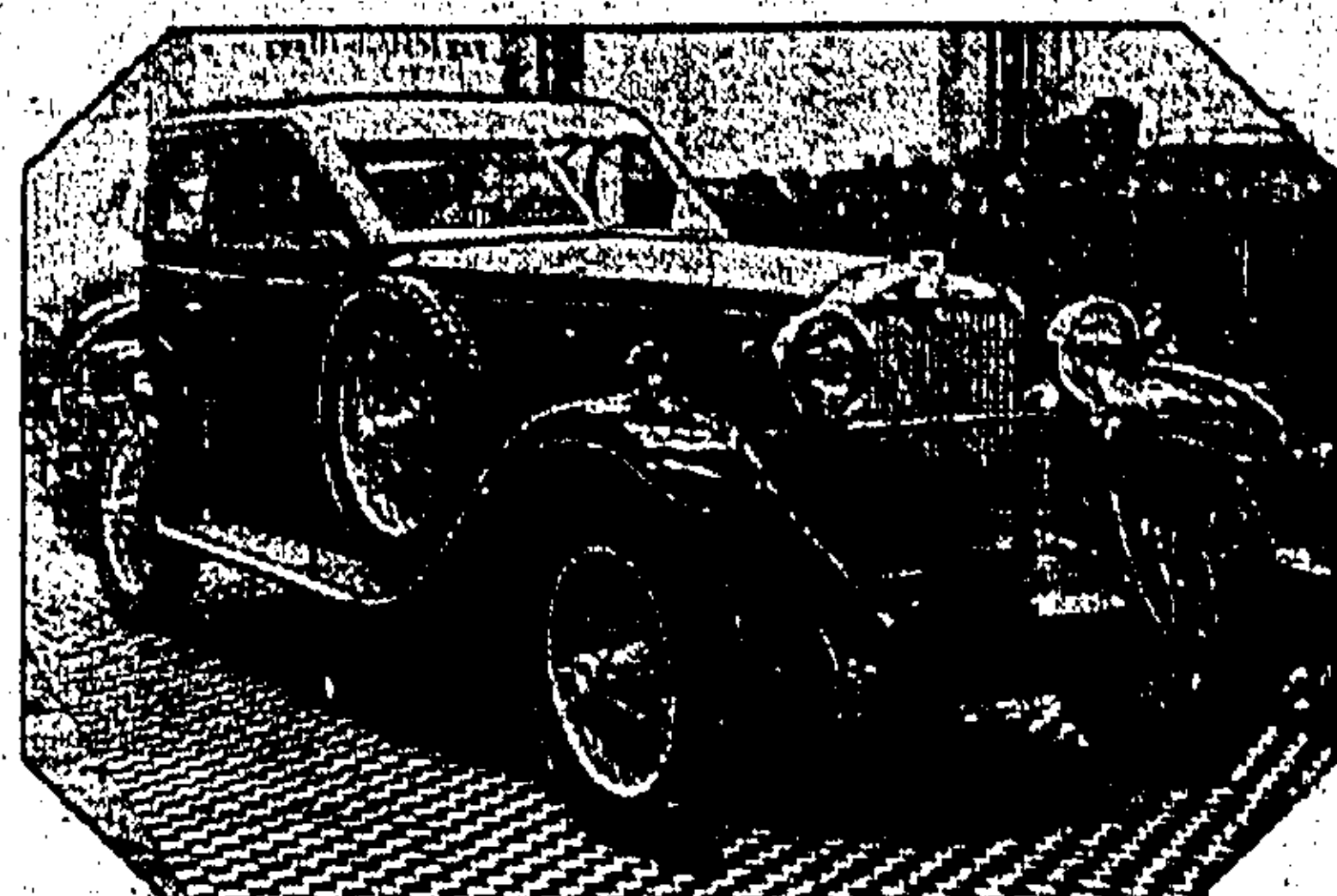
Another Company.

General Motors Corporation has acquired the Allison Engineering Company of Indianapolis, Indiana, in its entirety, according to an announcement made by Alfred P. Sloan, Jr., president. Allison Engineering Company has been engaged in various developments of a mechanical nature but has been concentrating recently upon the development of aviation engines, particularly of the Diesel type. General Motors plans to expand this company in its operations, especially along the line of the Diesel type aircraft engine.

Tail Lights on Elephants.

A town in the Straits Settlements, aroused by frequent night collisions between automobiles and the older type of transportation by elephant power, has passed an order requiring elephants, while travelling on the highways at night, to wear tail lights.

RACY CARS AT LONDON SHOW.



One of the snappiest body designs seen at the Olympia Auto Show in London recently was this one on a Hillman chassis. Speed is the goal not only of the engine but of the lines from front to rear.

RICARDO HEAD.

Prevents Shock and Roughness.

INTERESTING DESIGN.

The name of Mr. H. R. Ricardo, F.R.S., is well known to all motorists as belonging to one of the foremost of British automobile engineers and scientists who was responsible for initiating the extensive research work into the mysteries of detonation which has been proceeding steadily ever since the Armistice. One of the results of this research was the development of the Ricardo head, which by its special form, made possible the use of much higher compression ratios than were previously considered permissible.

A difficulty which has arisen in certain cases with the application of this head is that if the engine is not very rigid, i.e., if there is any possibility of spring in the crankshaft or connecting rods, the extremely rapid rise of pressure in the combustion chamber which follows the spark is apt to give rise to a vibration of high frequency which, to the driver, gives an impression of rough running. Recognizing this difficulty, Mr. Ricardo has now developed what may be called a "shock absorber" head, so designed that smooth running is obtained even with a high compression. The smoothness is due to a peculiar two-phase combustion process. A small proportion of the charge is isolated in a shallow pocket and fired first, burning relatively slowly and producing a gradual application of pressure. The second phase commences when the flame reaches the open mouth of the pocket and consists of a rapid spread of combustion through the turbulent main charge. The initial pressure rise takes up any "spring" which may be present in the working parts.

This new head is said to give almost as high a power output and efficiency as the previous Ricardo head, but with markedly smoother running, the difference in smoothness being, of course, more noticeable in some engines than in others. We understand that arrangements have been made to market the head very shortly for fitting to Austin Sevens, this development being in the hands of the licensee, Sydney W. Lewis, Kingsway House, London, W.C. 2. —The Motor.

NEW YORK SHOW.

Opening in January.

240 MODELS.

The 30th Annual Automobile Show will be held at Grand Central Palace, New York, from January 4-11. There will be displays of 240 models, representing 46 makers of cars, i.e. 42 makers of domestic cars, as well as the showing of Mercedes-Benz and Voisin, foreign automobiles. There will also be shown for the first time the new Cord, the Marquette, the Roosevelt and the Viking.

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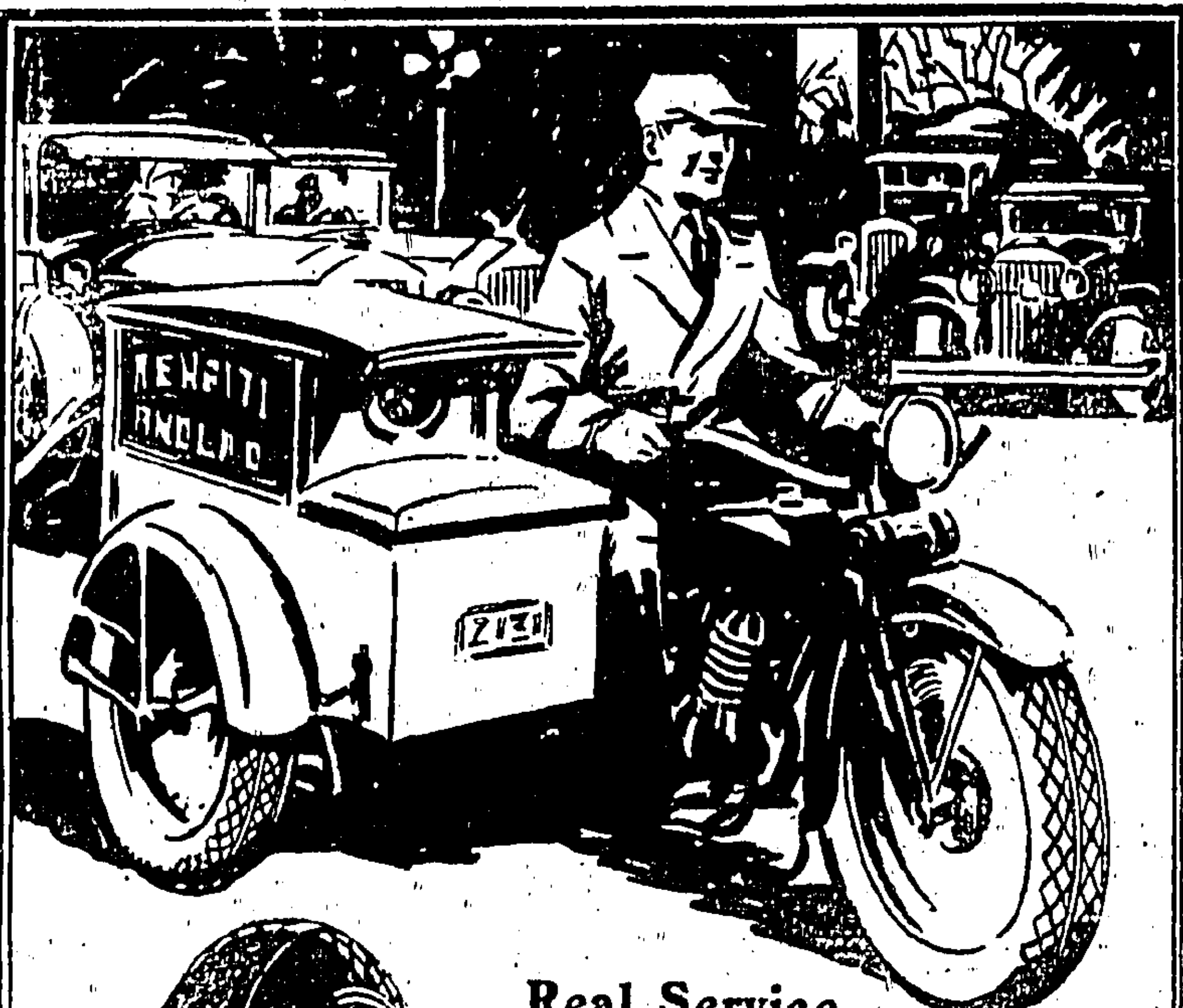
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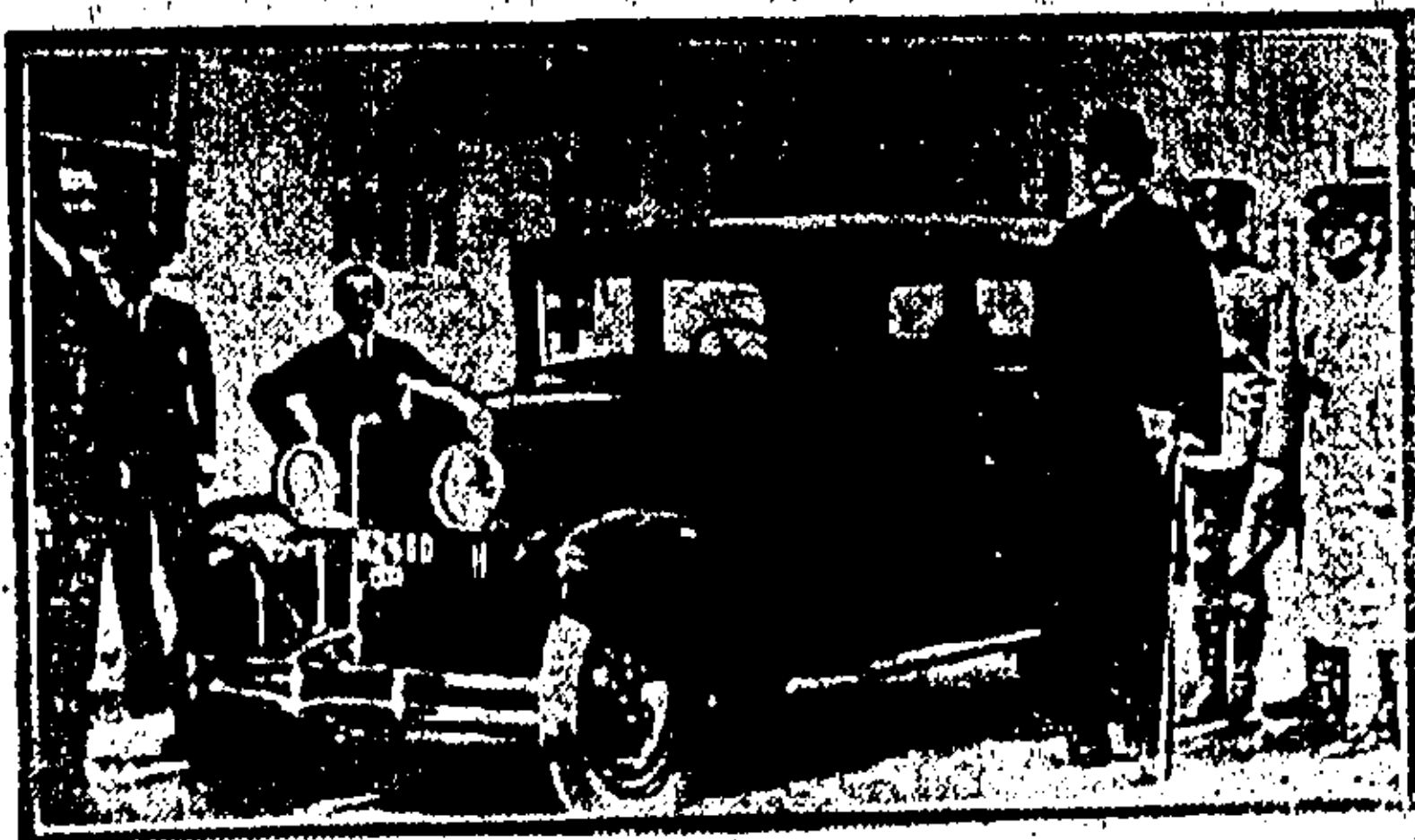
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HILLMAN CARS.

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"SAFETY" MODELS.

The designers of Hillman cars may justly be proud of the fact that within the last few years they have led motoring fashion in three distinct ways. They were first in the field with the fabric sports-type coupe, a form of body which they evolved in close co-operation with the famous racing motorist and designer, Sir Henry Segrave; they were first in the production of "Safety" models; and they were the first British manufacturers to make a Straight-Eight car at a popular price.

The Motor Trade has shown the Hillman Company the sincerest form of flattery by following its example. Cars similar to the original Segrave model are now listed by most manufacturers, as are "Safety" models with unspinterable glass and Servo-assisted brakes; whilst the popularity of the Straight-Eight car is shown by the increasing number of manufacturers, both in Great Britain and overseas, who are now including it in their lists of models.

Obviously the Hillman Company, which is controlled by progressive and far-seeing men who are not content to rest on their laurels, has a better chance of supplying what the public wants than have its many imitators. The 1930 cars have been improved in many respects, and there is no gainsaying the fact that they represent as fine a value for money as anything which is offered by a British manufacturer.

Mechanical Details.

The engine capacities of the two types are the same as in the past. The Straight-Eight has dimensions of 63 x 105 m.m. (2,620 c.c.), those of the 14 h.p. model being 72 x 120 (1,954 c.c.).

Of the many detail improvements which have been incorporated in

the new cars, a number play prominent parts in their performance and comfort. New exhaust and inlet manifolds, for instance, give increased power and silence to the Straight-Eight. The chassis frame on both models has been re-designed to give greater strength, and this allows the batteries to be housed inside the frame. The brakes have been further improved, and their performance is stated to be remarkably good.

The front springs have been lengthened, and now give better suspension than in the past, whilst Silentbloc rubber shackles are fitted to all springs. These eliminate twelve greasars, improve suspension and are noiseless and practically everlasting.

Sir Henry Segrave's Part.

Outstanding amongst the range of new cars are the Segrave models, which are found on both Straight-Eight and 14 h.p. chassis. As already mentioned, the original Segrave model Hillman was the first of this very popular two-door sports type. Sir Henry Segrave is famous not only as the holder of the world's motor speed record, but as a bodywork designer of exceptional brilliance. He has been closely allied with body manufacture for some years, and he has studied body design in America and in several European countries.

For 1930, therefore, again in collaboration with Sir Henry, the Hillman Company has gone "one better" by producing a four-door Segrave model. This has an even better appearance than the two-door type, whilst at the same time it allows greater ease of exit and entry. The rear seat now gives increased comfort and ample leg room is provided by a well let into the floor boards. The body is of genuine Weymann construction, made under licence, and a luggage container is built into the rear of the body. The Straight-Eight Segrave model is priced at £385. A Sunshine roof is obtainable on either model at an extra charge of £10.

SUNBEAM LATEST.

Dual Purpose Car.

FOR OWNER DRIVERS.

One of the most interesting cars in the range which the Sunbeam Company are now manufacturing is the new enclosed drive Weymann Limousine on the 25 h.p. six-cylinder Sunbeam chassis. This car has been built to serve a dual purpose, and it is also priced at the lowest figure at which enclosed bodywork of any type has ever been offered on the 25 h.p. chassis.

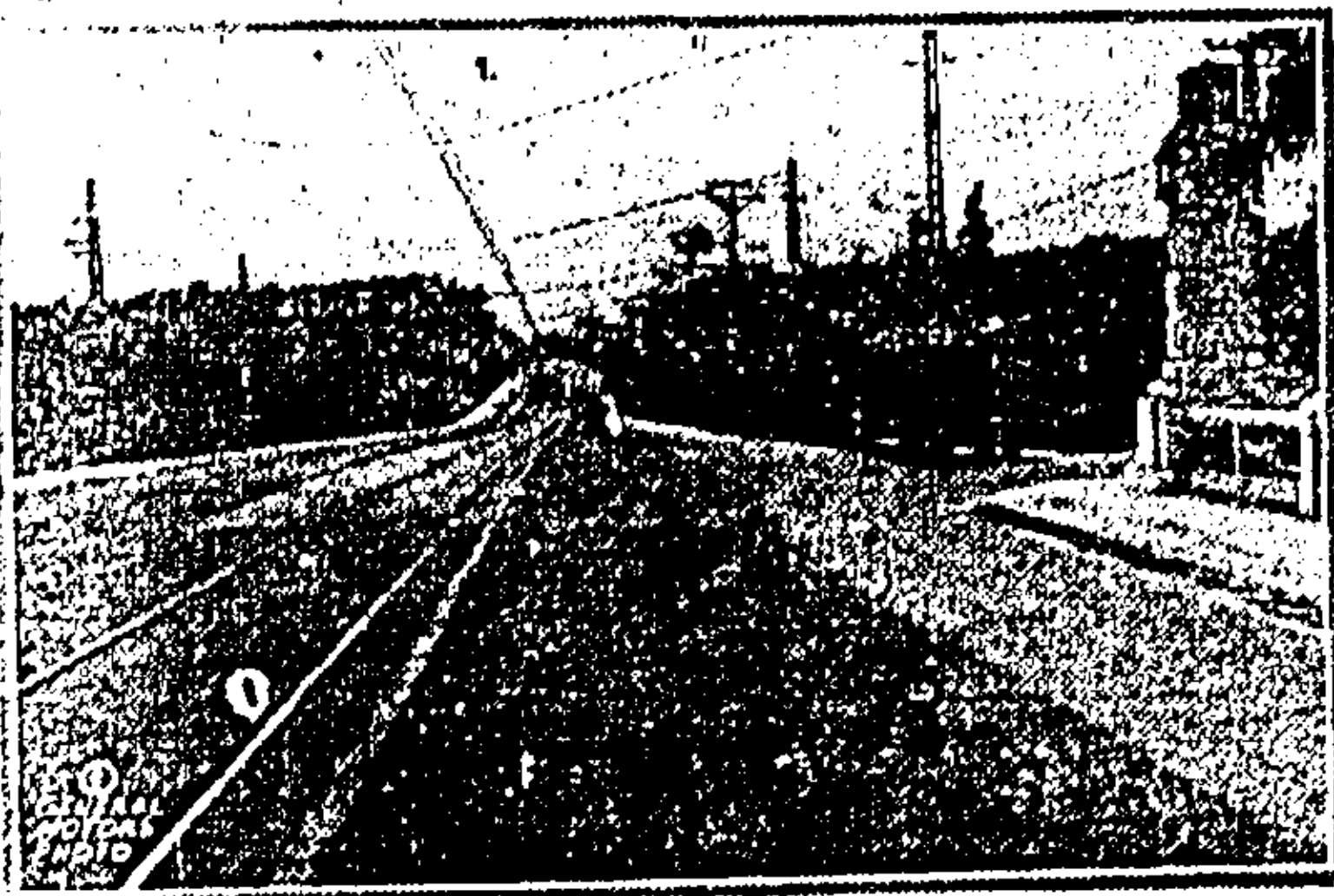
It is a seven-seater car, occasional seats being fitted in the rear compartment, and these can be quickly removed when not required. The division between the front seat and rear compartment is controlled by a mechanical regulator, and a special feature of the design is that when the division is lowered it disappears entirely behind the driver's seat. In this position the body is then an open saloon, and this feature should appeal particularly to those who require a car which will be driven by the owner and also by the chauffeur. This new model fulfils the dual purpose admirably. The seating and interior appointments are very similar to those provided in the coachbuilt limousine. They have been designed to afford the utmost comfort, and special attention has been given to the front seats to ensure the standard of comfort desired by the most critical owner-driver.

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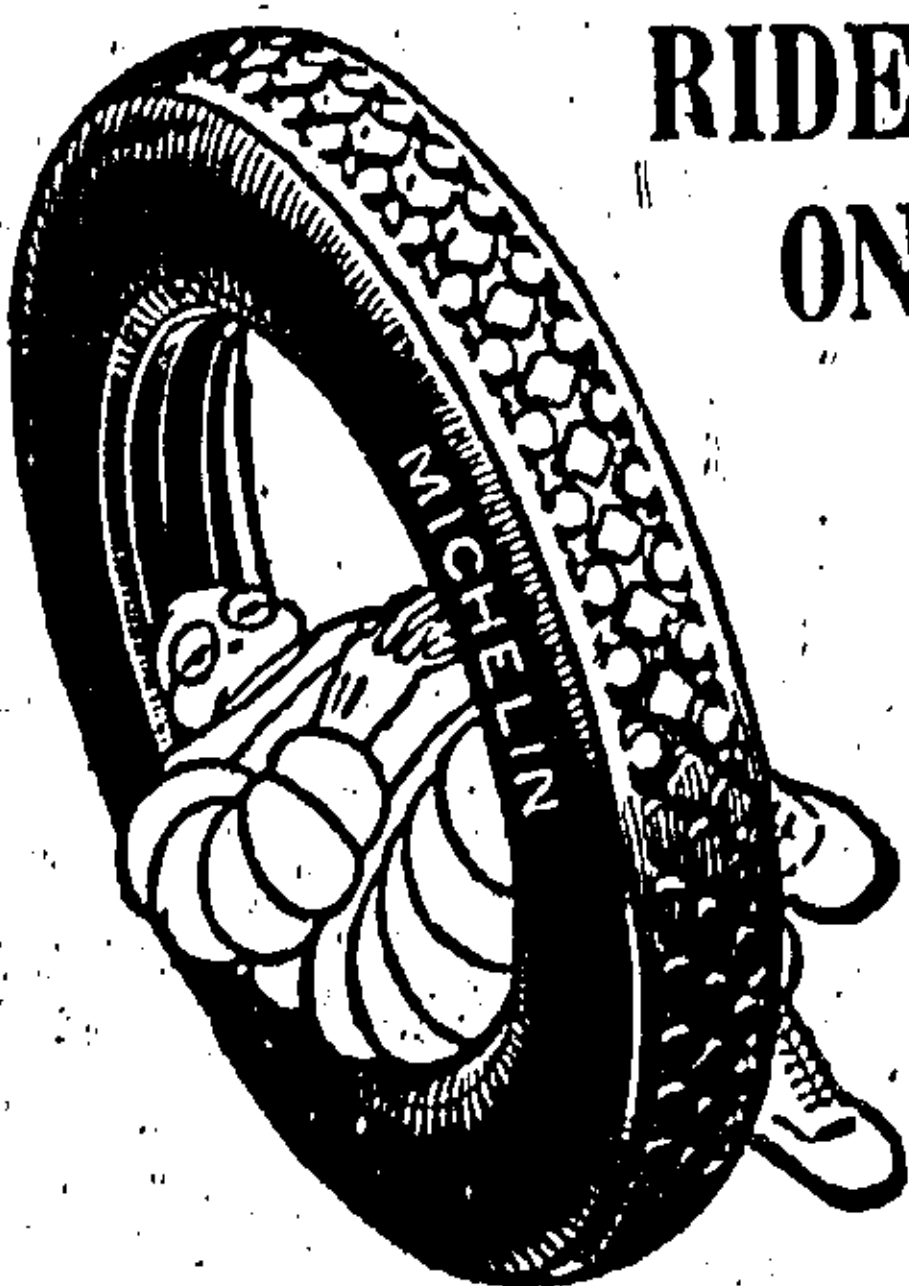
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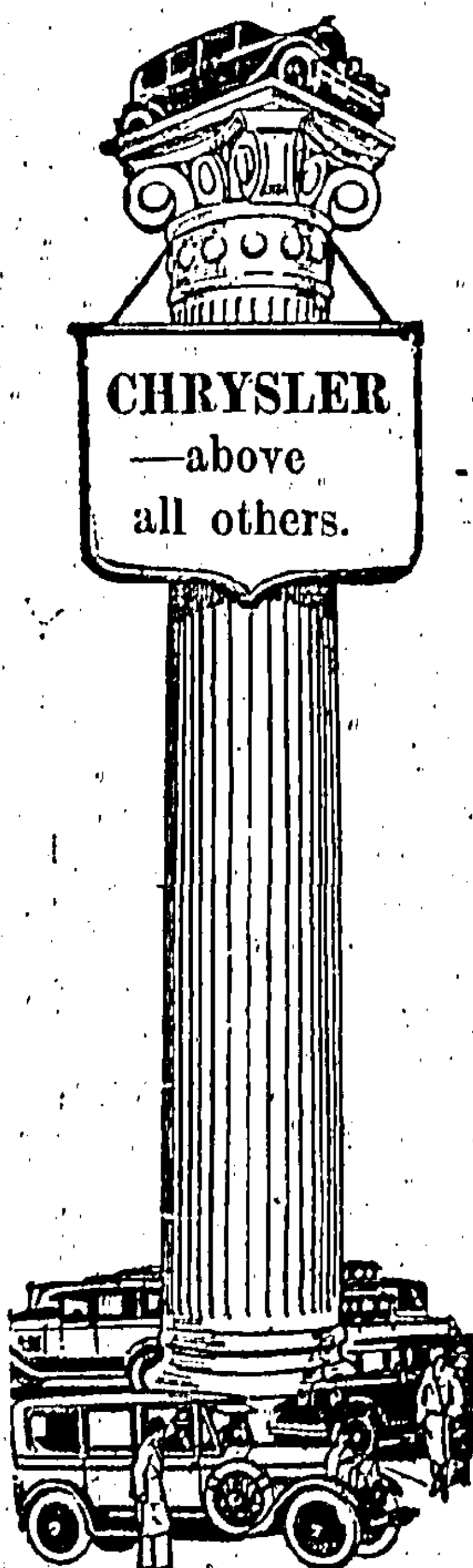
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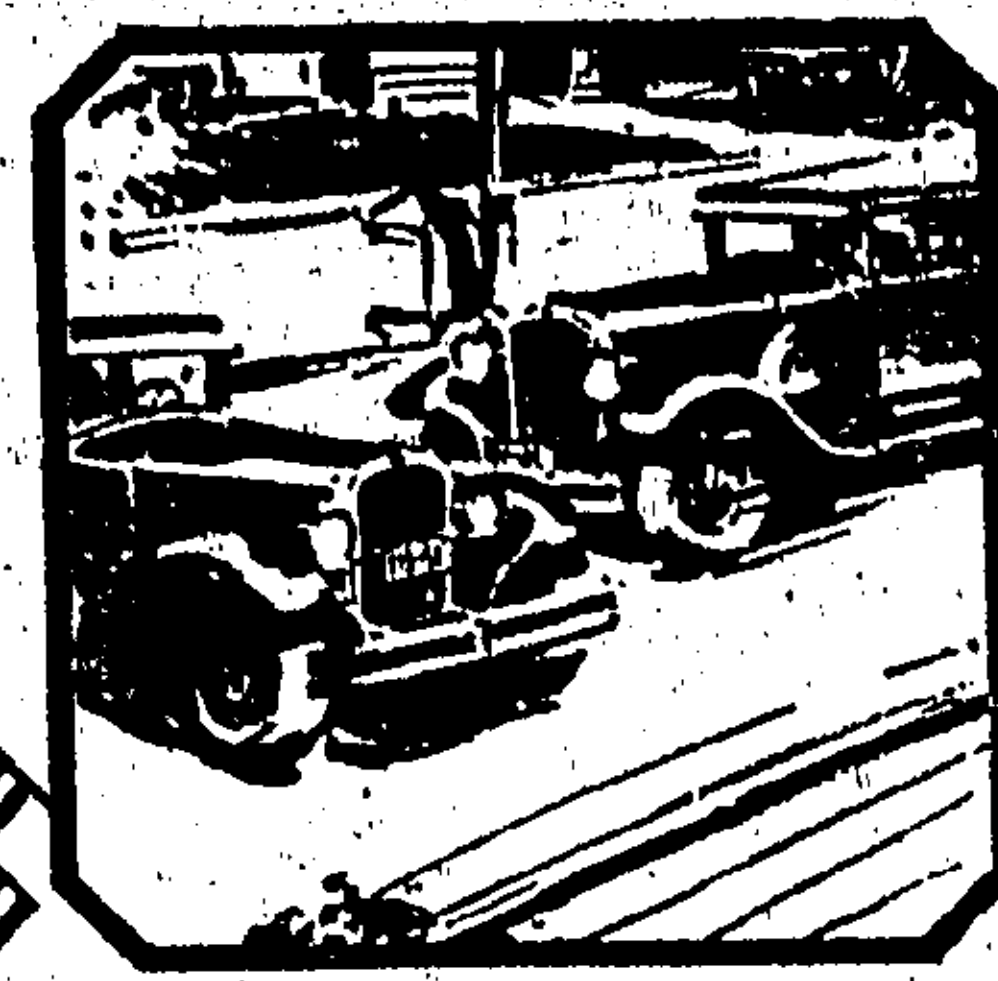
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GOVERNMENT'S REPLY TO HERR SCHACHT.

AN ILL-TIMED ATTACK.

The outspoken criticism of the German Government's financial policy, contained in the long memorandum on the Young Plan published by Herr Schacht, the President of the Reichbank, has caused a sensation in Germany. The Government has officially replied to the attack, protesting that it is ill-timed, while an unfavourable reaction on the Bourse has been noticeable.

It is rumored that the position of the Finance Minister has been considerably shaken and, judging by Reuter's cables, a Cabinet crisis is not unlikely.

Berlin, Dec. 6.

The Government reply to Herr Schacht's Memorandum in which he protested against politicians trying to spoil what the economists have built up, condemning the attempt of the German Government and the Governments of the creditor States to tamper with the recommendations of the Young Plan, and declining all responsibility for the successful working of that Plan if its recommendations are not respected, is so late that the publication of such a Memorandum is precipitate and therefore likely to gravely endanger the homogeneous conduct of the affairs of State.

Government Complaint.

The Government admits that the President of the Reichbank announced his intention of publishing his views, but points out that he stated that he would do so in a manner which could do no harm.

It is the view of the Government that the manner of the contents of the Memorandum and the time of its publication strangely conflict with Herr Schacht's declared intention.

Financial Reform.

It is important to note that the Government's Reply does not discuss in any way the contents of the Memorandum, but it announces that the Government will on Monday present a financial reform programme in the Reichstag.

The Reichstag will be asked to express confidence in that policy as well as on the Government's entire policy.

Minister's Position Shaken.

Later, As a result of Herr Schacht's Memorandum, it is rumored that the position of the Finance Minister, Doctor Hilferding, against whom the attack was chiefly directed, has been shaken and even the existence of the Cabinet has been endangered.

The Bourse, which, of late, has shown signs of revival from a long depression, was again depressed.

Weakness prevailed almost everywhere in the stock market.

International favourites especially were affected, losing up to ten points. — Reuter.

IN NOVIA SCOTIA.

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when I had wandered sufficiently. "Pretty soon the train got ready to start again. Long time after that I was back in Jo'berg, and I told some of the gold-mine fellows about this place, but none of them wouldn't believe it. I calculate if I could only get back there—" and he wandered on into dream-land, this veteran British Army saddler on whom fortune had almost smiled. He had been at Spion Kop, and in the relief of Ladysmith, but he only remembered the yellow gold he thought he had seen in a rock in the African desert.

And to those who have wandered the world on whatever quest, Wolfville and its Land of Evangeline offer repose and the quiet calm of a life that partakes largely of yesterday. It is a place in which one would regard tolerantly the idea of "settling down." The deep snows of its winters make its valleys and hillsides, and meadows pictures no less appealing than the apple-blossom-covered orchards in springtime. It is a land of all-year charm, is Acadia, fair to-day as yesterday; and none can know it but to love it.—M. T. G. in the Christian Science Monitor.

THE "INVASION" OF HONGKONG.



Troops who took part in "The Battle of Hongkong" are here seen being transported by buses along the Praya to their positions on the island. (Photos: Mee Cheung).

THE LURE OF THE EAST.

BY ONE WHO IS 10,000 MILES AWAY.

"The lure of the East" may be a hackneyed phrase, but is there not a wealth of meaning underlying it?

There are many grey and cloudy days in England but, even on the greyest day, in one's mind there is dawning sunlight.

Again one is back in Hongkong looking down from the green height upon a placid sea of deepest blue, dotted with hundreds of tiny islands. There is hardly a ripple on the water and the air is still. Schoonettes of rugged peak stand boldly against a sky of ever-changing lights and shades. For the sun is sinking and the sunsets in this lovely land are so beautiful that, when seen upon a canvas, the colours are almost unbelievable. Ruby red, coral pinks, tenderest shades of gold and yellow, even sometimes a shimmer of palest green—no welcome sight, for it forbodes the dreaded typhoon.

Quick! The sun has almost set, and here there is no lingering twilight.

Look down below, once more at the land-locked sheltered harbour. This is no land of stagnation, as one might fancy. Here riding at anchor are the great ships from every part of the world.

There, moored over by the mainland is an "Empress" which to-day has brought many sightseers to this "Island of Fragrant Stream" and to the busy shops in Victoria down below with their ivory, jades, Canton shawls and silks "plenty good chance."

Round this levitation dart the ever-busy little sampans. Turning homewards are the office laundries bringing back the bathers from around the island and from outlying parts.

Lights are glowing here and there and we know that, were we on one of those well-known launches, we should look up at a fairland of twinkling points scattered here and there over the towering Peak against a fast-darkening sky.

Hark! the scissor grinders have started their endless "zzz." Louder and louder it becomes but our ears, long accustomed to this sound, after a time hardly notice it.

Down in the valley the frogs are croaking hoarsely. Fireflies dance around, gleaming here, gleaming there, ever elusive, ever enchanting.

Glow worms show their little lamps by the sides of the path.

A footstep—who is it? "Master have come, Boy?" "Ah Mary—it is you. Of course. I had forgotten for the moment."

BETTY MELVILLE SMITH.

LETTER GOLF SOLUTION.

Here is the solution to the puzzle on another page. WIDE, WINE, LINE, LONE. LONG.

CARE OF CHILDREN.

NEED OF TREATMENT BEFORE SCHOOL.

London, Dec. 6.

A circular issued by the Minister of Health and the President of the Board of Education urges moral authorities to use their powers to provide for the care of children before they reach school age.

The circular points out that it is uneconomic to allow the health and stamina of infants to deteriorate till five years old and then to spend large sums of money in trying to cure them between the ages of five and fifteen, when they come under the care of school medical officers.

The importance of providing maternity and child welfare treatment and nursery schools for children between two to five years is emphasised. — British Wireless.

THE VARSITY BOAT RACE.

UNUSUALLY LATE NEXT YEAR.

London, Dec. 6.

The University Boat Race has been fixed for Saturday, April 12th, when the tide serves at about midday.

This is an unusually late date and is exactly a month after the close of the last term at Oxford. — British Wireless.

BRITISH STAFF IN MOSCOW.

AMBASSADOR LEAVING THIS MORNING.

London, Dec. 6.

When Sir Esmond Ovey leaves London to-morrow morning to take up his post as British Ambassador in Moscow, he will be accompanied by Messrs. Ashton Gwatkin and Mark Patrick, Counsellor and Secretary respectively, and Colonel Milford as Attache.

Mr. Paton, who has held Consular posts at Vladivostok and elsewhere in the Far East, will be the Commercial Counsellor at the British Embassy.

The Soviet Ambassador, M. Sokolnikoff, is expected in London on Tuesday or Wednesday next. — British Wireless.

ELECTRICITY MORE POPULAR.

INCREASED USE SHOWN AT HOME.

London, Dec. 6.

The Electricity Commissioners have just published returns which show that in Great Britain during the last year the use of electricity for all purposes increased by nine per cent. — British Wireless.

A meeting of the Council of the Hongkong Football Association is to be held at the Association offices on Tuesday at 5.30 p.m., when, amongst other business, there will be submitted the reports of the Interport committee meetings.



"That's a book you ought to like: it teaches a lesson."

The Very Idea!

Despite the vigilance of assistants who are no fools and who know only too well what they are up against, every now and then the expert jewel thief brings off a coup. The loss of a £8,000 pearl necklace from a shop in Bond-street is the latest instance.

One of the most delightfully ingenious tricks, because of its simplicity, was successfully worked in London a good many years ago. A "customer" would enter a jeweller's shop and ask to see some valuable rings. He would be shown a tray of such and would finally decide that there was nothing to his taste. But at the end of the inspection one of the best rings would be missing.

The customer would protest entire ignorance of the matter and demand to be searched, and if this were done nothing would be found on him. He had "palmied" the ring and stuck it with cobbler's wax to the under side of the counter, whence it could be removed next day by a confederate.

The trick was discovered through a woman dropping a ring while trying to collect it. The dodge is useless now; every jeweller knows it.

"It was terrible," said Mrs. Murphy. "There were 27 Swedes and an Irishman killed in the wreck."

"Indeed," said Mrs. Grogan, "the poor man."

"(Miniature motor-car racing with monkeys as drivers is the latest thrill in sport.)—Daily paper."

No longer thrilled by Schneider Cups or "Greyhound."

(Even the Turf has lost its old appeal.)

We are to have another kind of racing.

In motor-cars, with monkeys at the wheel.

The punter, home from Northolt, skinned and "stony."

Regards the innovation sans regret.

No more he'll risk a "monkey" on a pony—

A "pony" on a monkey is the bet.

In the archives of the Authority there is a letter from a woman whose little boy had been reprimanded for uncleanness. It was addressed to the headmaster of a school, and read:—"Dear sir, I would have you know my Johnny is sent to school to be taught and not to be smelt like a rose."

Child at Willesden—My mummy threw a flower-pot at the man. The mother—But it missed. Solicitor—Women generally do miss. Magistrate at Bromley, Kent—Why did you assault this woman? Defendant—Because she shook her carpets out of the bedroom window. Detective at Southend—"This man is negotiating for the purchase of property to the value of £25,000, and he has 2s. 4d. in his possession."

Defendant at Old Street—I hope you will treat me leniently, as this is the first time I have been before the Court. Solicitor—Indeed, it is not. Defendant—Oh, yes, it is. I have never attended when I have been summoned before.

A little boy, sitting in the bus, was crying bitterly, and the conductor, on ascertaining that the cause of the trouble was that he had lost the money for his fare, very kindly gave him a free penny ticket.

As he turned away after performing this good deed, however, he was halted by a small but indignant voice, exclaiming, "Ere—oo d'yer sink yer a-swindlin' of? Give us me change—it was a tanner wot I lost!"

Mary was learning shopping. "Mary, go and get me a yesterday's loaf. But be sure to bring yesterday's." Mary, who has got a bit mixed on route, arrives. "If you please, 'em, mother says I'm to bring a loaf baked to-morrow." "This is the confectioner's, my dear, conjurer's next door."

FINLAND'S PROGRESS.

CORDIAL SENTIMENTS AT DINNER IN LONDON.

London, Dec. 6.

Viscount Allenby proposed the toast of prosperity to Finland at the Anglo-Finnish Society's dinner last night, in celebration of the 12th anniversary of Finland's independence.

He said Finland had made itself consolidated and secure through the stout hearts of its people.

Monsieur Saastamoinen, the Finnish Minister, replying, referred to Finland's close relations with Britain, which was Finland's best customer. Their gaining of independence was the outcome of hard political thinking and equally hard earning.

Lieutenant-General Macdonogh is President of the Society, which exists for furthering good relations and better trade between the two peoples. — British Wireless.

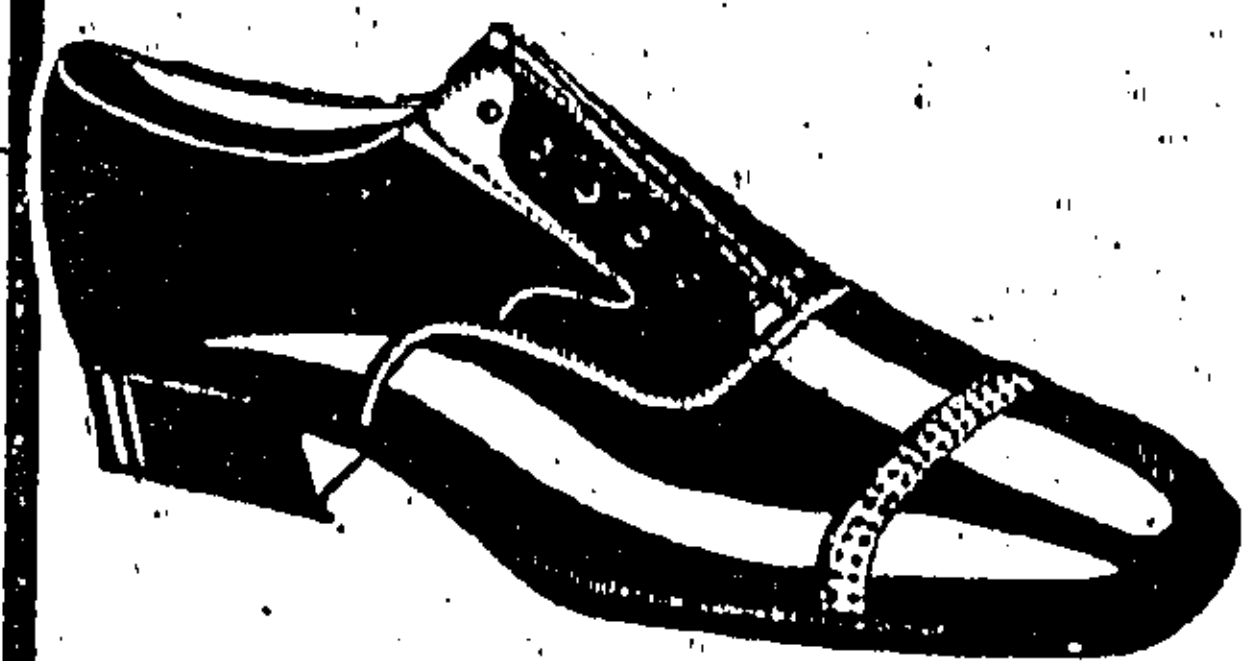
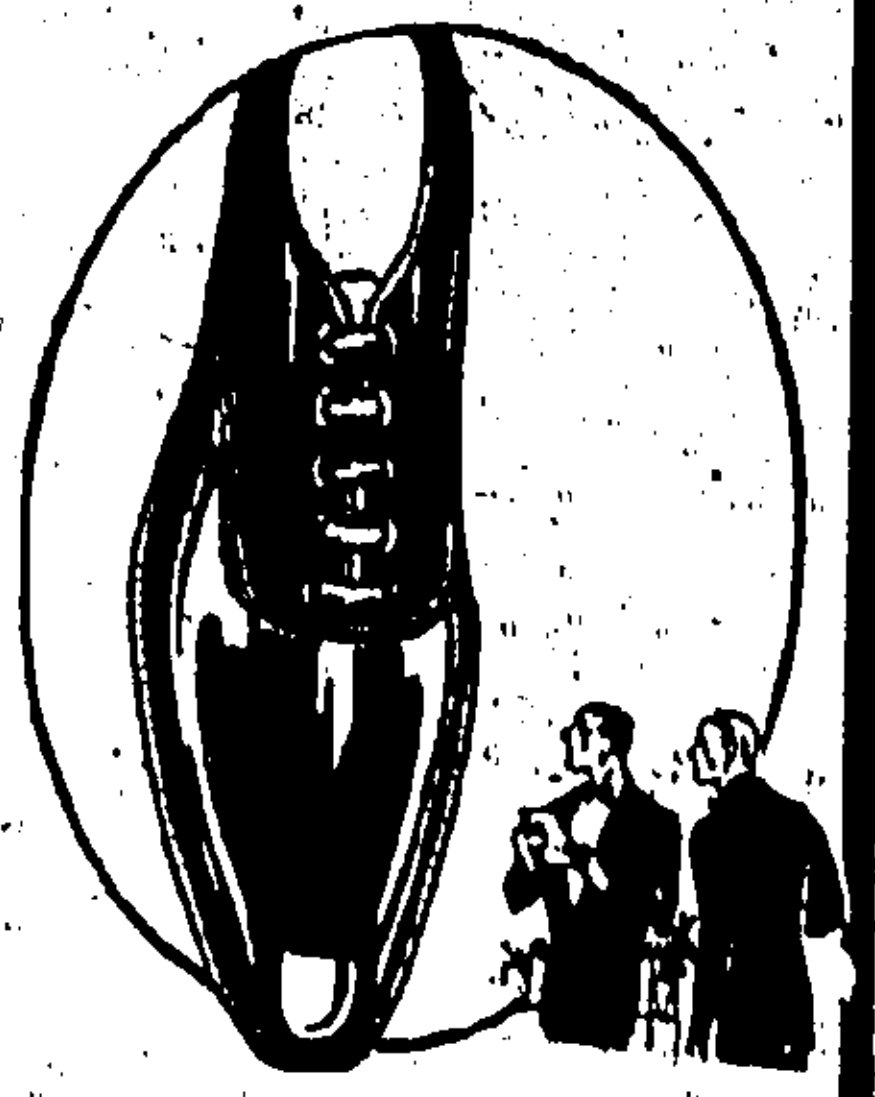
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TO-DAY'S RACING.

CONCLUSION OF CURRENT SEASON.

(By "Ringtail").

The 1929 racing season will be brought to a conclusion this afternoon when the tenth extra race meeting will be conducted at Happy Valley the first race to start at 2 p.m.

Big fields are expected in most of the events, particularly in the handicaps, and as the Handicappers have gone to great pains in order to equalise the individual chances of each pony, I feel sure we shall see some very excellent finishes.

The principal event on the card will be the Autumn Champions which is over a distance of one mile and a quarter, and should supply a win for Christmas Chimes who was beaten by One Third at the last meeting. One Third will run a good race and will no doubt keep Christmas Chimes going for the biggest part of the journey; if he can stage the same form as at the last meeting, he may possibly win. Chesapeake Bay will also start here and will have a big following, especially amongst Chinese backers.

The Autumn Subscription Grifins Champions should go to Nook-hall on form, as he has been very prominent at the last few meetings. The Ape will assuredly give of his best, as he is an honest little beggar who is always a trier from the word "Go." King's Falloch is very fit at the moment and will make both of the first-named travel if they intend to give him a licking. This event is fairly open and will be one of the best straight out betting races on the card.

On account of the dry spell, the track should be very fast, which should tend to liven up the times. My selections are:

- 1st Race.
1 Young Pretender
2 Duke of Chantilly
3 Monterey Bay

- 2nd Race.
1 Baxing Eve
2 Majestic Hall
3 King's Counsel

- 3rd Race.
1 Fifty Fifty
2 Tarmacadam
3 San Francisco

- 4th Race.
1 Christmas Chimes
2 Chesapeake Bay
3 One Third

- 5th Race.
1 Duke of Normandy II
2 Ching Hoi
3 Cavalier

- 6th Race.
1 Nookhall
2 King's Falloch
3 The Ape

- 7th Race.
1 Heard's Mount
2 Sunshine
3 Fanning Stag

- 8th Race.
1 Misty Eve
2 Buster
3 Bright Prospect.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, Dec. 6.
Paris	125.97 1/2
New York	48.87 3/4
Brussels	34.87
Geneva	25.12
Amsterdam	12.09 1/2
Milan	93.24 1/2
Berlin	20.38
Stockholm	18.10
Copenhagen	18.19 1/2
Oslo	18.20 1/2
Vienna	31.67 1/2
Prague	164 1/2
Helsingfors	194
Madrid	34.87
Lisbon	108 1/2
Athens	375 1/2

NEW ALLEGATIONS IN HATRY CASE.

(Continued from Page 1.)

were printed. The scrip certificates were issued in denominations of £50, £100, £500, and £1,000. After that the authority of Corporation and General Securities to issue Wakefield loan was at an end. That was at the end of January.

Six months later, according to the case for the prosecution, he said, a shocking fraud was committed by these defendants in respect of the Wakefield loan. On the morning of July 13 Daniels sent for Mr. Coles, the printers' representative of Messrs. Blades, East and Blades, who had printed the scrip certificates for the Wakefield loan, and said to him: "I have got a very urgent job here that must be delivered by eleven o'clock on Monday morning. I want 80 copies of the Wakefield scrip exactly as I have altered it on this copy."

Austin Friars Trust. He then handed him a copy of the scrip with various alterations upon it, the principal one being that the denomination on that scrip was altered to £5,000. Eighty copies of this were ordered by Daniels, who said, "I want the scrip delivered direct to Mr. Dixon. It will come through me and not Mr. Page."

Mr. Roome explained that Mr. Page was chief clerk in charge of the Corporation and General Securities, Ltd., and he had ordered the previous printing for it. The defendants were desirous of concealing from Mr. Page what they were preparing to do. Accordingly, on July 15, 80 scrip certificates for £5,000 each of the Wakefield Corporation Stock were fabricated and delivered to Dixon—a total of £400,000.

"Why was it done?" asked Mr. Roome. "The prosecution say it was to raise money for Austin Friars Trust, Ltd."

"The position was that there was a company called Porchester Trust Limited, of which Mr. G. Ireland Russell, a member of the Stock Exchange, was chairman, and Daniels, director. That company had lent £300,000 to Austin Friars Trust, Ltd., for which loan the Porchester Trust held securities, among other stocks, of £150,000 Birmingham Corporation 4 1/2 per cent. stock fully paid. That stock was issued by the Corporation and General Securities Limited earlier in the year.

"Worthless Scrip." "Hatry and his co-defendants were hard pressed for ready money," he said, "and they desired to lift £300,000 worth of the Birmingham stock in the possession of the Porchester Trust with a view to realising it immediately, and so to induce Mr. Russell to realise that security, the four directors stooped so low as to have worthless scrip certificates printed and to pass them off to Mr. Russell and the Porchester Trust Limited as genuine Wakefield stock."

The defendants, he said, had forged and uttered certificated corporation stock of Gloucester, Wakefield, and Swindon to the amount of at least £300,000. Such transactions deliberately carried out by persons in the City of London entrusted with municipal loans was, he believed, unprecedented.

Bucharest	817 1/2
Rio	5 13/16
Buenos Aires	46.5/16
Bombay	1/5 1/2
Shanghai	2/2 1/2
Hongkong	1/8 1/2
Yokohama	2/3 1/4
Silver (forward)	22 11/16

—British Wireless.

BANK RETURNS.

NOTE AND SPECIE FIGURES FOR NOVEMBER.

The returns of the average amount of bank notes in circulation of specie in reserve in Hongkong, during the month ended 30th November, 1929, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks are:

Banks	Average Amount	Specie in Reserve
Chartered Bank	\$11,028,844	\$ 5,000,000
Hongkong Bank	\$1,122,192	24,000,000
Mercantile Bank	1,581,945	600,000

Total\$13,732,981 \$55,600,000

* In addition Sterling Securities are deposited with the Crown Agents valued at £1,236,000.

† In addition Securities deposited with the Crown Agents and Straits Government valued at £2,907,959.

§ In addition Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at £180,000.

LETTER GOLF.

To-day's puzzle is WIDE and LONG.

W	I	D	E
L	O	N	G

1.—The idea of letter golf is to change one word to another and do it in par, a given number of strokes. Thus to change COW to HEN; in three strokes, COW, HOW, HEW, HEN.

2.—You can change only one letter at a time.

3.—You must have a complete word, of common usage, for each jump. Slang words and abbreviations don't count.

4.—The order of letters cannot be changed.

One solution is printed on another page.

CHARITY FOOTBALL MATCH.

ARMY TEAM AGAINST THE NAVY.

The annual charity match, the Army v. Royal Naval, will be played at Sookunpoo ground on Thursday, 10th December, kick-off at 4 p.m. By kind permission of the Commander-in-Chief, China Squadron, the Messed Bands of His Majesty's Ships Kent, Berwick and Hermes will play from 3 p.m.

The Army team will be:—Gunner Fletcher (Royal Artillery); Gunner Oliver (Royal Artillery); Sgt. Reeves (K.O.S.B.); L/Cpl. Everest (K.O.S.B.); Corp. West (S.L.I.); Gunner Joyce (Royal Artillery); Corp. Rayson (S.L.I.); Pte. Stocks (K.O.S.B.); Gunner Gill (Royal Artillery); Sgt. Bowleybull (S.L.I.) and Pte. Butcher (S.L.I.).

Reserves will be drawn from the following:—Pte. Shears (K.O.S.B.); Sgt. Hayward (S.L.I.); Pte. Knapp (S.L.I.); L/Cpl. Davey (K.O.S.B.); Sgt. Skiggs (K.O.S.B.); Pte. Denmead (S.L.I.); Sgt. McGluchey (K.O.S.B.); Pte. Alexander (K.O.S.B.). Prices of admission will be as follows:—"A" Stand (covered) \$1; "B" Stand (open) 50 cents; "C" Stand (open) 30 cents.

The following have been selected to represent the Army v. Navy on the Club Ground at Happy Valley on 14th inst.:—Gunner Fletcher (Royal Artillery); Gunner Oliver (Royal Artillery); Sgt. Reeves (K.O.S.B.); L/Cpl. Everest (K.O.S.B.); Corp. West (S.L.I.); Gunner Joyce (Royal Artillery); Corp. Rayson (S.L.I.); Pte. Stocks (K.O.S.B.); Gunner Gill (Royal Artillery); Sgt. Bowleybull (S.L.I.); Pte. Butcher (S.L.I.).

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HONGKONG HOCKEY CLUB.

TEAMS FOR FOUR MATCHES NEXT WEEK.

The following will represent the first team of the Hongkong Hockey Club in their match with the Tamar on the U.S.R.C. ground at 4.45 p.m. on Wednesday:—C. L. Gregory, W. Woodward, J. E. Henry, J. Rodger, A. A. Dand (captain), J. E. Noronha, T. J. Price, G. E. R. Divett, C. C. Francis.

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The second team, to meet the University at 4.45 p.m. on Monday at King's Park will be:—W. Borrowman, G. A. Plummer, L. F. Nicholson (captain), L. A. R. Duncan, R. W. Skipp, A. R. Botelho, Major Kerrich, D. M. McDougal, L. G. Frost, E. C. Fincher and A. N. Other.

The "A" team will play the Garrison Sergeants at 4.45 p.m. on Wednesday at King's Park; the team being:—C. E. Moore, R. W. Sapsed, G. Rankin (captain), H. Marlow, A. Dale, N. W. Laseuder, Major Kerrich, S. J. Fox, L. G. Frost, D. Hazell and K. H. Batger.

The "A" team to meet the Somerset's third team at 4.45 p.m. on Friday at King's Park will consist of C. E. Moore, J. E. Henry, G. Rankin (captain), A. Dale, G. A. Plummer, R. W. Sapsed, O. Butler, Major Kerrich, S. J. Fox, L. G. Frost, D. Hazell and K. H. Batger.



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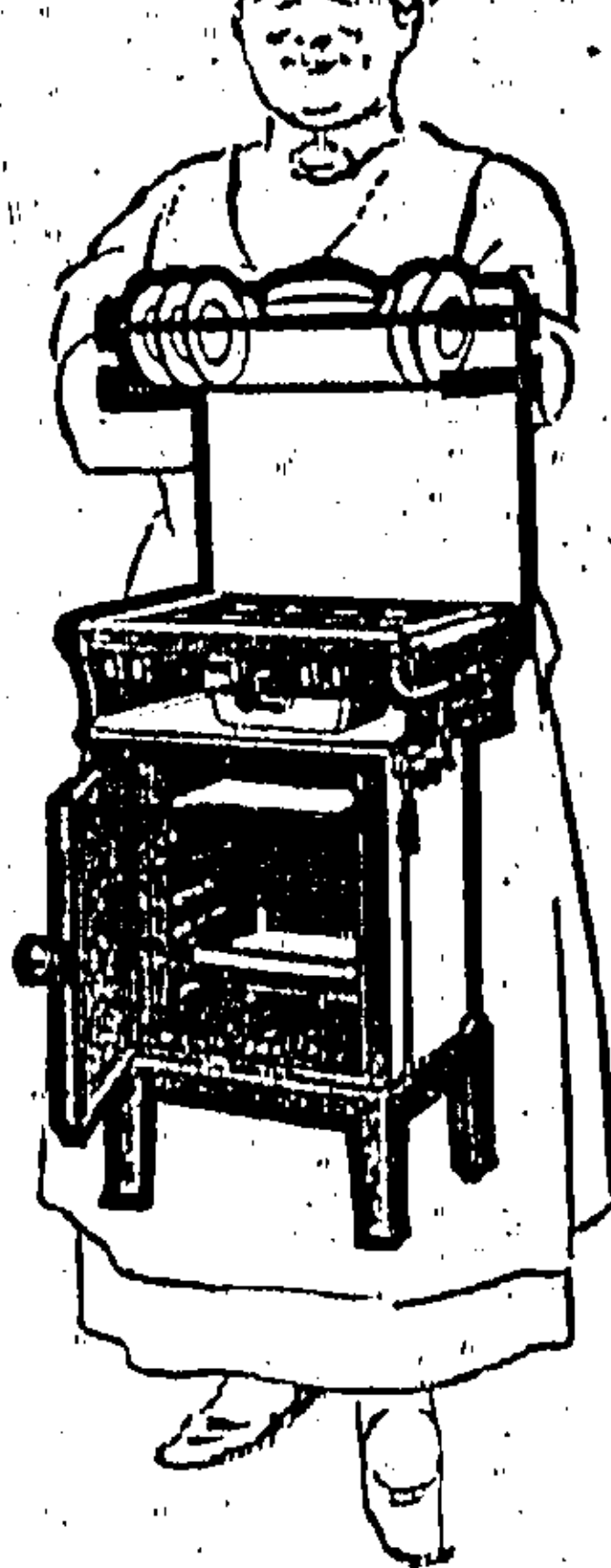
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MYSTERY OF OFFICER WHO STRUCK HIM.

How the Kaiser erected a monument to a black eye given him by one of his own naval officers is told to-day for the first time in "Recollections of Three Kaisers" (Herbert Jenkins, 10s. 6d.), by an anonymous writer who served in the royal household under three generations of Hohenzollerns.

The incident occurred on board the Kaiser's yacht, Hohenzollern during a trip to Norway, and was hushed up at the time.

Pranks on Royal Yacht.

It was a dirty night, with the sea running high, and the watch was in charge of First Lieutenant von Hahnke, an experienced seaman. The ship was approaching the coast and great care was required.

"There had been a late and unusually convivial party in the dining saloon," writes the author.

"Being a hot August night, some of the livelier spirits who had not sought their cabins came on deck to see the elements disporting themselves and, incidentally, to cool their heated blood."

The Kaiser, in a playful mood, insisted on taking the wheel.

"Hahnke refused respectfully, but resolutely, to permit this, being well aware of the serious position."

"High words ensued, and, it is said, even blows were exchanged, one catching the royal yachtsman in the eye."

"The commotion was tremendous: His Majesty was persuaded to retire to his stateroom, where medical aid was afforded, and where, with a cold water bandage round his head, he finally slept soundly until morning."

Culprit Vanishes.

When day dawned von Hahnke was nowhere to be seen. Search was made for him all over the ship and along the coast, without result.

Three days later the unfortunate Lieutenant's bicycle was found on the edge of a steep cliff near where the Hohenzollern was anchored.

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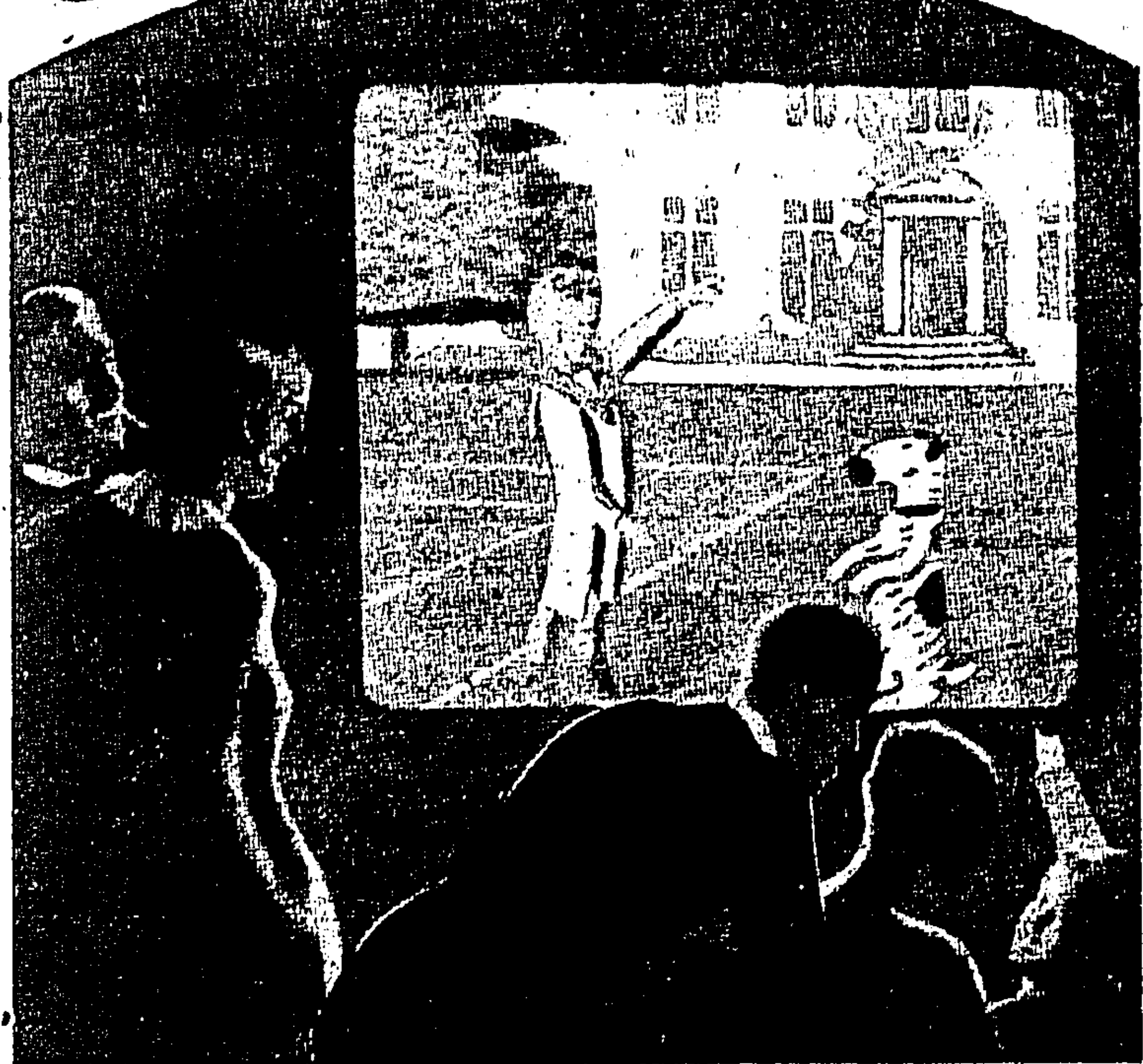
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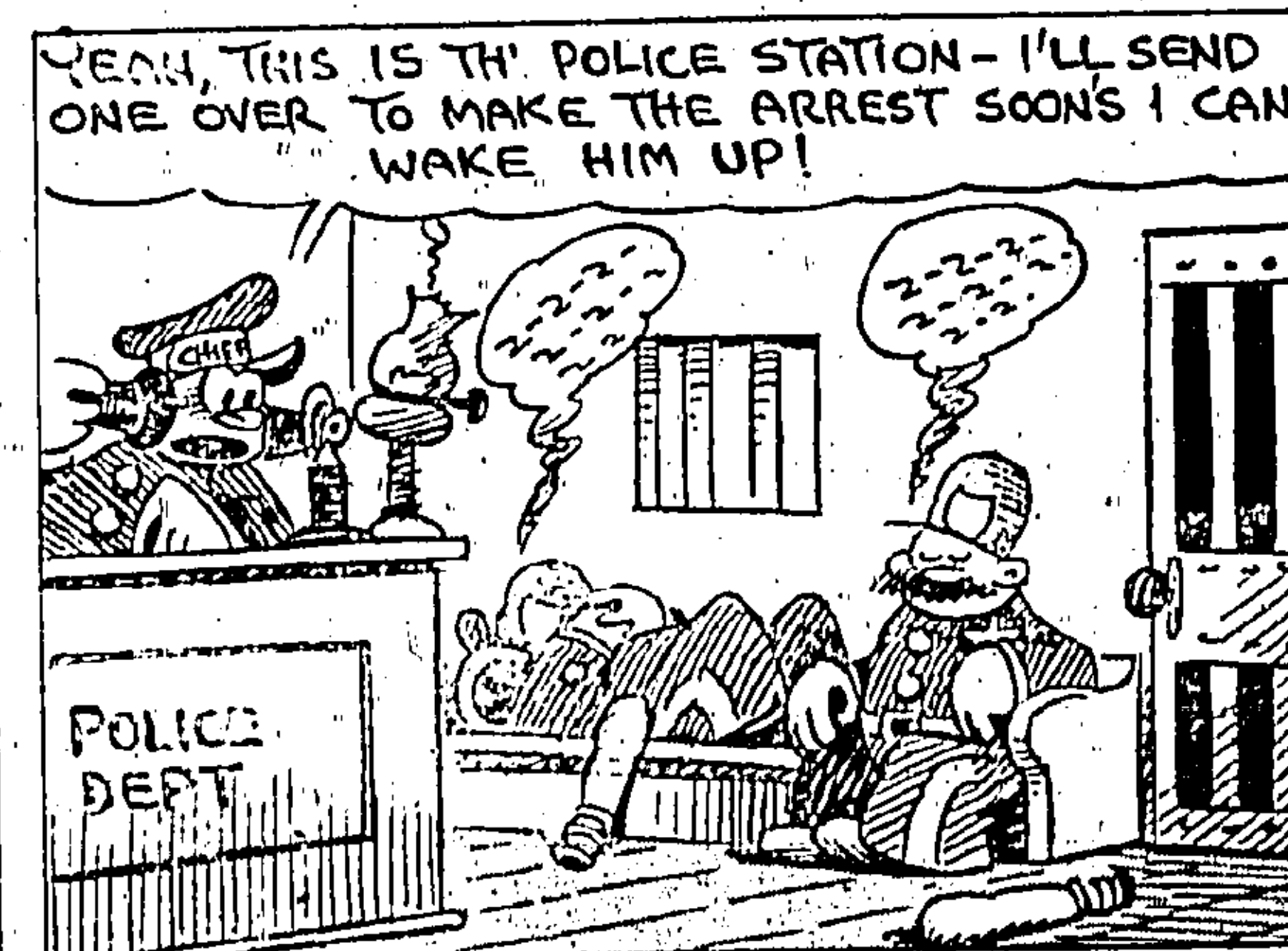
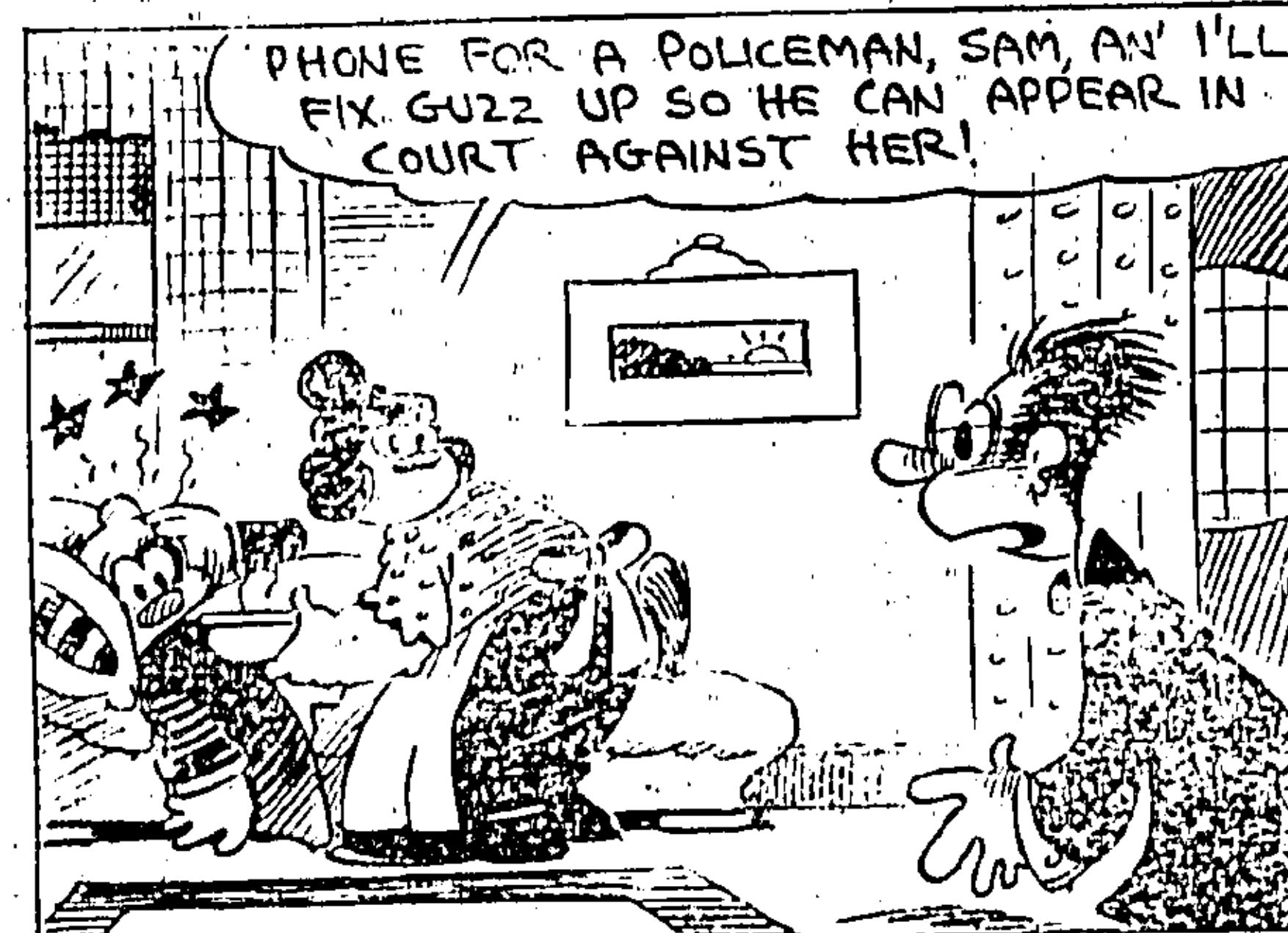
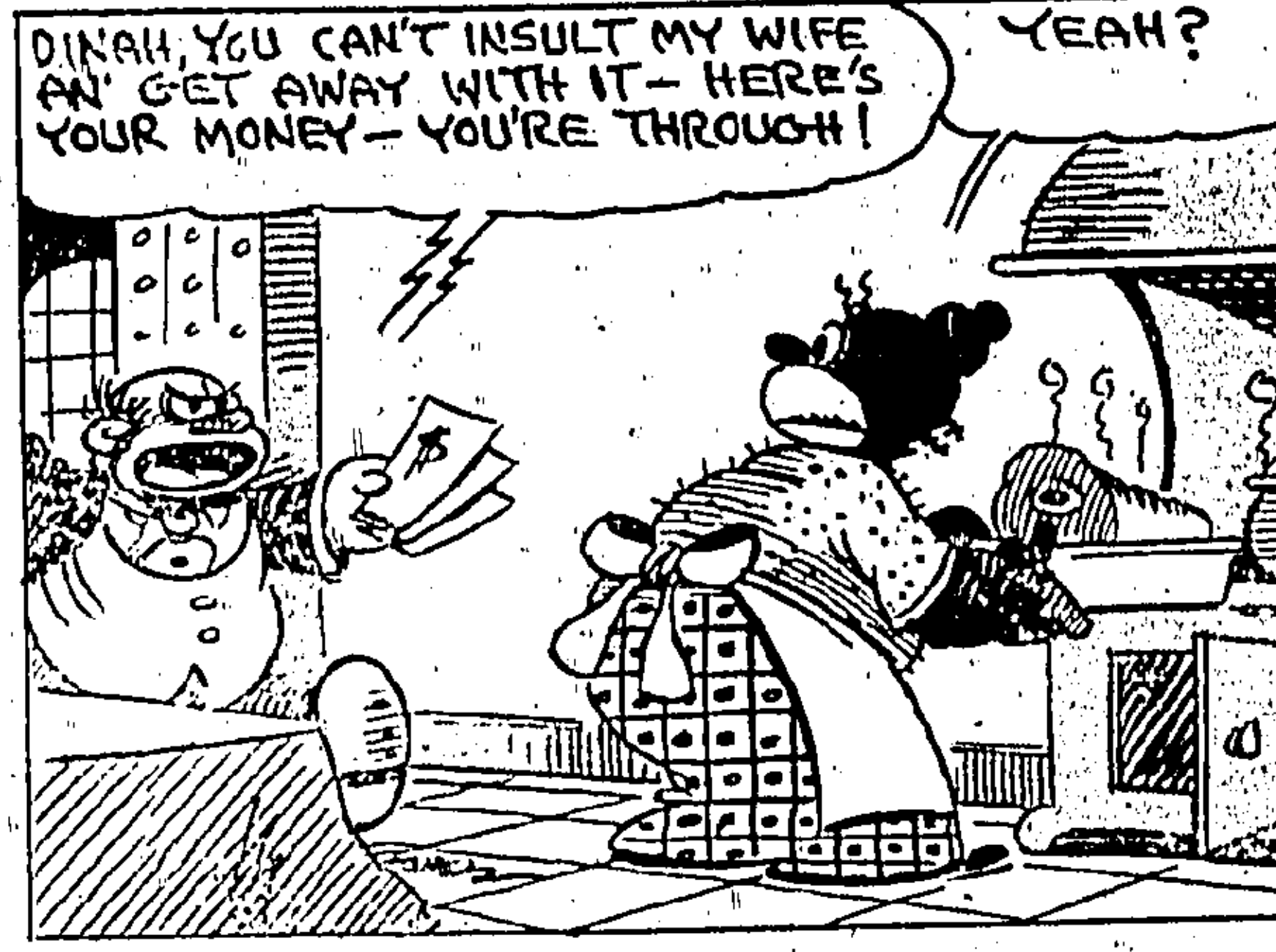
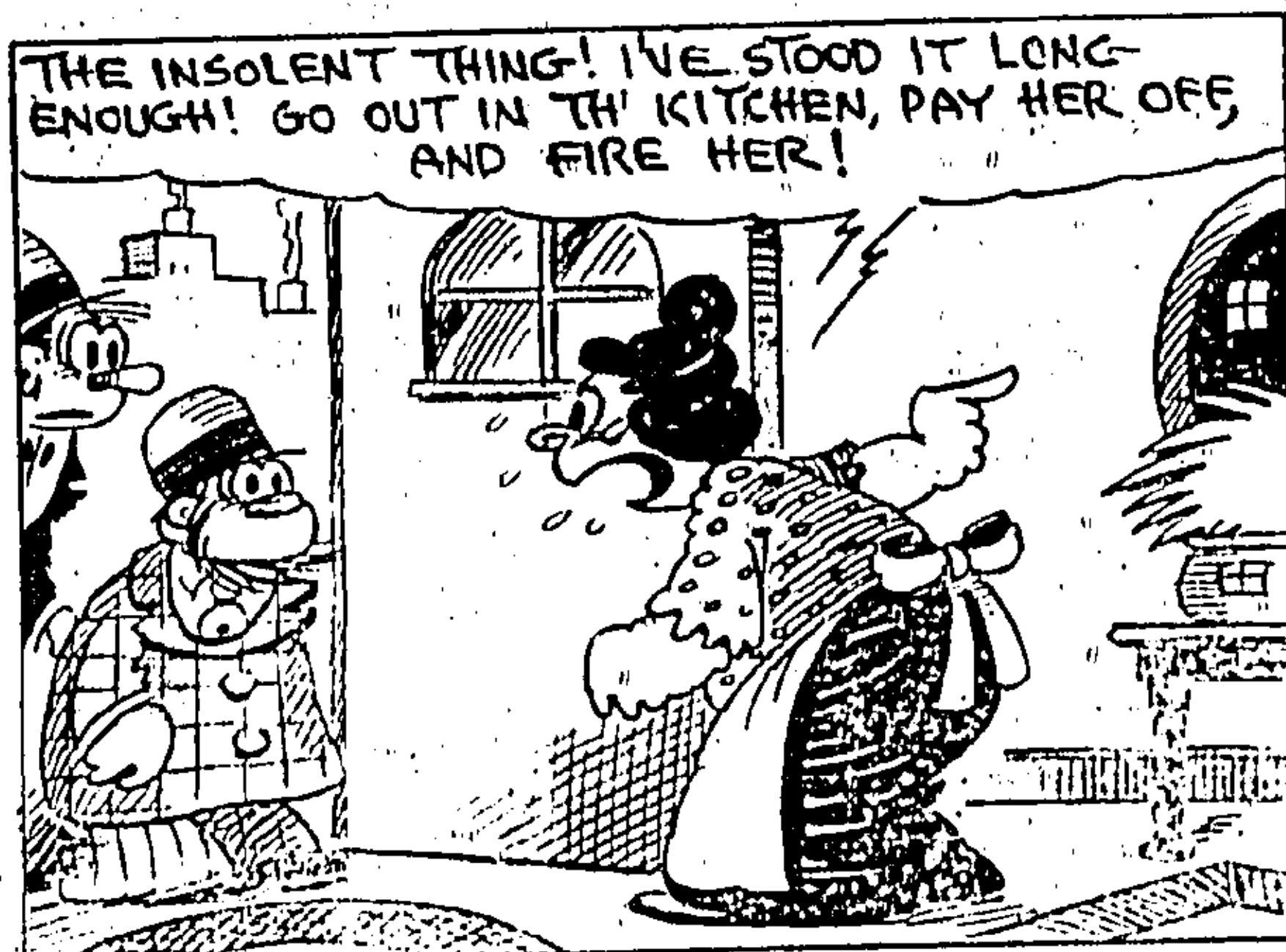
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CHAPTER XII.

"What do you mean, sir?" Mr. Lawrence Sharp asked blankly.

"I mean—can you swear that it was Mrs. Hogarth's voice you heard telling Norma Paige good night, and not the voice of the parrot?"

"I never thought of that," Sharp admitted. "But I feel sure it was Mrs. Hogarth's voice, though now that I think of it, it did sound a little hoarse and queer, as if she had been crying, too—"

"Lawrence Sharp, how dare you encourage this man to think dear little Norma Paige—" Mrs. Sharp began indignantly, but she interrupted herself, while a startled expression banished her generous anger.

"Strawn—and Dundee, too, from behind the screen—missed not a flicker of that new expression. And Dundee's heart sank lower."

"The parrot knows you both, of course," Strawn suggested. "Do you think you could coax him to talk?"

Their reception of this suggestion was vastly different from Cora Barker's. Sharp, swelling out his chest a little with importance, stepped up to the bird's cage, reached in fearlessly and stroked the ruffled feathers of the parrot's head.

"Hello, Cap'n!" he boomed heartily.

"Hullo, hullo!" the bird answered sulkily.

"Good night, Cap'n. Good night!" Sharp continued, while Mrs. Sharp plucked nervously at his sleeve in a futile effort to make him desist.

The parrot turned about on his perch, but crooked one bright eye at his dead mistress's friend. "Good night!" Cap'n answered, and to Dundee, behind the screen, the voice seemed to be that of the murdered woman herself.

"Was it that voice or Mrs. Hogarth's that you heard answering Norma Paige?" Strawn demanded, with slow emphasis.

"I—Lawrence Sharp wiped his brow. "I—can't swear which voice it was, but I believe it was Mrs. Hogarth's."

"Now, Mr. Sharp, did you hear or see anyone else as you returned to your room about half-past 11?"

"No—Yes! I heard Bert Magnus's typewriter. His room is directly across the hall from mine, you know."

"Did he see Miss Paige, too?"

"No, he couldn't have. His door was shut. Norma ran down the hall to her room and closed the door—with a bang," he admitted reluctantly, "just as I was closing my own door. Her room is next to ours, you know. I didn't speak to her, or she to me. When I entered our room, I found the wife packing. I told her about the train and the upper berth, and wrote out a cheque for \$100 for bail."

"Not for the \$300 also, to pay for the car?" Strawn interrupted with lightning quickness.

"Why, no. I shall have to get the \$300 from the savings bank, when it opens Monday morning," Sharp answered. "I don't keep that much in my checking account."

"May I see your savings bank book, please?" Strawn asked.

"Sir! Are you intimating that I—of Mrs. Hogarth's closest friends for two years—murdered her for such a ridiculous reason as to get a paltry \$300 for my son?"

Strawn grinned crookedly. "I'm not insinuating anything, Mr. Sharp, but I'd like to see that bank book, if you please. . . . Thanks! . . . Hmm! I see that you have a balance of \$410.03. Destined to pay the boy's tuition, I suspect?"

"My financial affairs are my own concern, sir," Sharp answered stiffly.

"Just what is your occupation, Mr. Sharp?"

"I am head of one of the house furnishings departments at Marcus Crane's—the linoleum department," Sharp answered with dignity. "My salary is—entirely adequate to the needs of myself, my wife and son."

"Mrs. Hogarth was such a close friend of yours that she would have admitted you at half-past 11 or even as late as midnight, I suppose?" Strawn asked blandly.

The colour in Sharp's face became almost apoplectic. "She would have admitted me, sir, if I had knocked! But I did not do so. Neither did my wife. We had no occasion to trouble Mrs. Hogarth with our son's misfortune. In fact, we did not see the poor, dear lady after our call upon her earlier in the evening. Mr. Dundee was with her at the time, and Mrs. Rhodes joined the little party before the wife and I had left. Mrs. Hogarth was then in excellent spirits, and had some very complimentary things to say about my son, Larry."

"Yes, yes," Strawn interrupted impatiently. "Now, Mrs. Sharp, I should like you to tell me why you were afraid that Norma Paige knows something about this bad business?"

Mrs. Sharp bridled like an angry hen. "I don't know what you're talking about, sir! I didn't see Norma—that is, I didn't speak to her—"

"I think you'd better tell me exactly what happened, Mrs. Sharp."

"Well, but I can tell you right now, that no matter where Norma was, she didn't have anything to do with this terrible murder!" Mrs. Sharp assured him indignantly. "I did see Norma. After I finished packing, I was awfully hot, and decided to take a cool bath before going to the train. That was about 10 minutes after Mr. Sharp came up—"

"About 11:40?"

"Yes, I opened my door, to go to the bathroom, and I saw Norma come out of her room and start down the hall toward the bathroom. I could see she was going to take a bath, for she had her bath towel over her arm, and was wearing bedroom slippers, pyjamas, and a kimono. I started to ask if she'd let me have my bath first, but Mr. Sharp had told me about Norma's crying, and I thought the quicker she got a nice cool bath the better she'd feel, and there was plenty of time before I had to leave for my train."

"I went back into my room, and wrote out a telegram to send to poor Larry from the station, and also one to a lawyer we knew at 15 minutes, I guess—I thought Norma would be through with her bath, and I took my towel and soap and started for the bathroom again. The door was closed, and I could hear water running."

"I thought Norma might just be rinsing out the tub, and I'd call to her to let the water run for me. So I did, but there wasn't any answer. Since that bath is for women only, and there's only Norma and I on this floor to use it now, I tried the door. It wasn't locked. I stepped in and saw Norma's bath towel—she has her own, with her monogram on them—lying with her soap dish on the little stool. The water was running in the tub, but most of it was waiting for the stopper was half out, and the tub was only about a third full—"

"Had the towel been used?" Strawn interrupted.

"No, no. It was neatly folded, and quite dry. I touched it to see. The soap was dry, too—a new cake. So I thought maybe Norma had gone back to her room for something she'd forgotten, and I'd ask her if I could have my bath first, since it was getting later all the time. I went to her room—it's next to the bath, you know—and knocked on her door, but she didn't answer, although I could see through the transom that her light was on. I didn't know what to think, but then it occurred to me she might have gone downstairs to telephone, though she wasn't dressed properly; but as it was so late and all, and nobody much around—"

"Then what did you do, Mrs. Sharp?" Strawn asked, to stem the tide of useless words.

"Why, I took my bath. I was going to apologize to Norma if she came and found the bathroom in use, but she didn't come. But when I'd finish and rinsed the tub out, I left the water running for her again, and went back to my room. . . . Oh, yes," she caught herself up. "I did stop and knock on Norma's door again, to tell her I'd left the water running, but she still didn't answer. I suddenly thought maybe she was in there crying, and I just said, 'Your water's running, Norma dear,' and went on to my room. I intended to go back to the bathroom in a minute or two to see that the tub didn't run over, but when I looked out of my door, I saw Norma going into the bathroom and I knew it was all right."

"Did you see from which direction Miss Paige came?"

"Oh, no, but from her room, I suppose. She must have been in there crying because Mrs. Hogarth didn't want her to marry Walter, but I just saw her opening the bathroom door."

"Did you see or hear anything else during these trips to the bathroom, Mrs. Sharp?"

"No, sir. . . . Yes, I heard Mr. Magnus's typewriter, and I thought to myself that he had a nerve writing so late at night, though Mrs. Rhodes had told him he could work till 12 last Saturday night, on account of people not going to bed early, and everything, but I do think—"

"Thank you very much, Mrs. Sharp. And you, too, Mr. Sharp. I see no reason why you can't take the next train to your boy, Mrs. Sharp."

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ESSAYS BY A JUDGE.

SIR E. PARRY'S SHREWD HUMOUR

His Honour Sir Edward Parry has added to the long list of his published works a volume which will amuse as well as interest the reader. "Concerning Many Things" (Cassell and Co., 21s. net) is a collection of sixteen essays containing many shrewd observations by a man of wide experience and a sense of humour suggestive at times of W. S. Gilbert.

These essays are a charming mixture of grave and gay, with incisive reflections on the ways of bureaucrats and Whitehall officialdom, especially in former times, and condemnatory references to the methods of Parliament in regard to legislation—passing Acts "without any real consideration," and so forth.

In "Concerning Pithechophoria" there is a delightfully humorous account of the trial at Daytonville, Tennessee, of Mr. Scopes for discussing on the doctrine of evolution in school hours, the Judge, for instance, approving "we are told, of an arrangement that morning prayers should be said in court on alternate days by a Fundamentalist and a Modernist!"

The author being a golfer, there is naturally an essay on golf. Sir Edward is puzzled to find in his "Marginalia" so few allusions to golf in the early novelists. Of Sir Walter Scott he writes: "Nor, indeed, does he seem to have understood how it was played"; and he generally comments: "Novelists, however, are subject to no laws which prevent them writing about matters they do not understand, else would much pleasant literature be lost to the world." While to-day, he states, we are all versed in the "queen of games," yet as late as 1892, when Stevenson published "Catriona," he thought well to add an explanatory footnote as to the meaning of the title of his chapter "The Teed Ball."

Lord Mersey's Title.

Sir Edward was for 33 years a county court judge, and therefore it is not surprising to find that some of his efforts deal with legal topics, as for instance, "Concerning Love-days," "Concerning Circumlocution," and "Concerning the Law and the Dog." In the first he pleads for courts of record, and recalls that the right to promote conciliation was in primitive times "practised throughout the country with businesslike results," adding slyly: "Modern statutes like the Rent Restriction Acts sometimes forbid citizens making a concord, the legislature supposing in its unwisdom that it knows better than people themselves what is good for them."

In "Circumlocution" are many witty stories, one being that Liverpool's own favourite counsel at one time "was Bigham, better known to a modern generation as Lord Mersey. This unique cognomen he is alleged to have chosen because, as he modestly said, 'That will leave the whole of the Atlantic for F. E. Smith.'"

Admirers of Lewis Carroll will revel in the chapter on his early writings in which, notably, "Upon the Lonely Moor" is reprinted in length exactly as it was first published in "The Train" of 1853.

There is a most entertaining chapter on "The Law and the

SHANGHAI BATTLE.

A DESPERATE FIGHT WITH KIDNAPPERS.

Shanghai, Dec. 6.
Mr. Zih Loh-seng, who is the comrade of the local branch of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, is in hospital suffering from two bullet wounds and a Chinese kidnapper of the most daring type is dead, as a result of an attempt to abduct the comrade at 12.30 to-day while he was on route to a restaurant in Foochow Road for lunch.

Mr. Zih Loh-seng had stopped his car to enable his bodyguard to buy meat for a pet dog, when four desperadoes made a move towards the car with the intention of abducting the comrade.

His bodyguard, seeing what was happening, drew a gun and fired at the kidnappers, all of whom took flight, firing wildly as they ran. Two shots hit the comrade. The bodyguard pursued the desperadoes and managed to hit one in the leg, but the man, despite his injury, ran on. A Chinese police officer then ended the career of this kidnapper with a careful shot. The other three escaped, and hitherto have not been apprehended.

It is stated that Mr. Zih Loh-seng is in a critical condition.

LEAGUE CRICKET.

The following will represent the I.R.C. 2nd XI in their league match against the University 2nd XI on the latter's ground to-day, at 2 p.m. sharp—F. M. d'Arcy, J. S. Ackley, A. R. H. Esmail, S. Esmail, M. P. Madar (Capt.), H. T. Barma, J. M. A. Rumjahn, Sirdar Khan, D. Mohamed, A. R. Sufian, and A. M. Rumjahn. Reserve: A. K. Ismail. Scorer: M. Y. Adal.

The following will represent the University 1st XI in a league match against Indian R. C. to-day at 2 p.m. sharp at Causeway Bay—C. W. Lam (Capt.), S. V. Gittins, D. K. Samy, M. B. Osman, A. P. Gutierrez, L. R. Lide, E. A. Lee, D. J. N. Anderson, A. B. Suleman, A. Baker, S. R. Kerman.

The following will represent the "Varsity 2nd XI in a league match against the I.R.C. to-day at 2 p.m. sharp at Pokfulam—A. A. Aziz (Capt.), A. Cher, K. P. Gan, G. E. Teoh, K. T. Leoke, H. E. M. Adams, M. Rodriguez, C. Candali, A. Mcnamahy, P. L. Tan, A. N. Other. Scorer: Yahyabhooy.

Dog." For instance, we are told "that the law refuses to recognise the dog, and the dog with native dignity generally ignores the law."

The dog is the friend of man, yet no man can be his dog's next friend in a law suit, because a dog cannot have a law suit. The reason of this seems to be that the dog is a chattel, and a chattel has no rights or liabilities of any kind." Sir Edward points out that "whereas it is lawful for a dog of reputed good character to bite a citizen once, it is an actionable matter to bite really valuable animals. If, for instance, a dog should bite a horse, a mule, an ass, or sheep, goats or swine, these creatures having a higher commercial value than the average human being the owner of the dog cannot plead for his pet, *ius primæ moriæ*, or a right to one mouthful. Many other phases of dog life are dealt with by one who is evidently a lover of dogs.

GARRISON NEWS.

LATEST APPOINTMENTS ANNOUNCED.

Brevet Lieut.-Col. H. C. B. Wemyss, D.S.O., M.C., Royal Corps of Signals, has been appointed Junior District Officer and Magistrate at Wei-Hai-Wei, and has been granted leave of absence to take up the duties of the appointment from 1st December.

Shanghai Municipal Council.

2/Lieut. T. G. Goro, 2/Viltelro Regiment, has been loaned to the Shanghai Municipal Council, with effect from 10th August. Mr. Goro is proficient in speaking Urdu, and has been allotted to duties connected with the Sikh Police in Shanghai.

Hongkong Area Football League.

The R.A.S.C. and R.A.P.C. almost brought their losing sequence to an end yesterday afternoon at Sookun-poo, when they were defeated by 12th (H) Bty., R.A., who are some places above them in the League Table, by the odd goal in seven. Indeed, at many stages of the game, it looked likely that the Departmentals would win comfortably. But it was not to be—and the Corps preserve their position near the end of the table.

12th (H) Bty., R.A.—Lockham; Leadbetter, Rawlins; Watson, Ward, Eardley; Taylor, Tait, Allen, Bridgeman, Wilkins.

R.A.S.C. and R.A.P.C.—Hodson; Evans, Hamer; Lieut. Courlis, Lyons, Andrews; Cole, Twelves, Corbesley, Lewis, Fry.

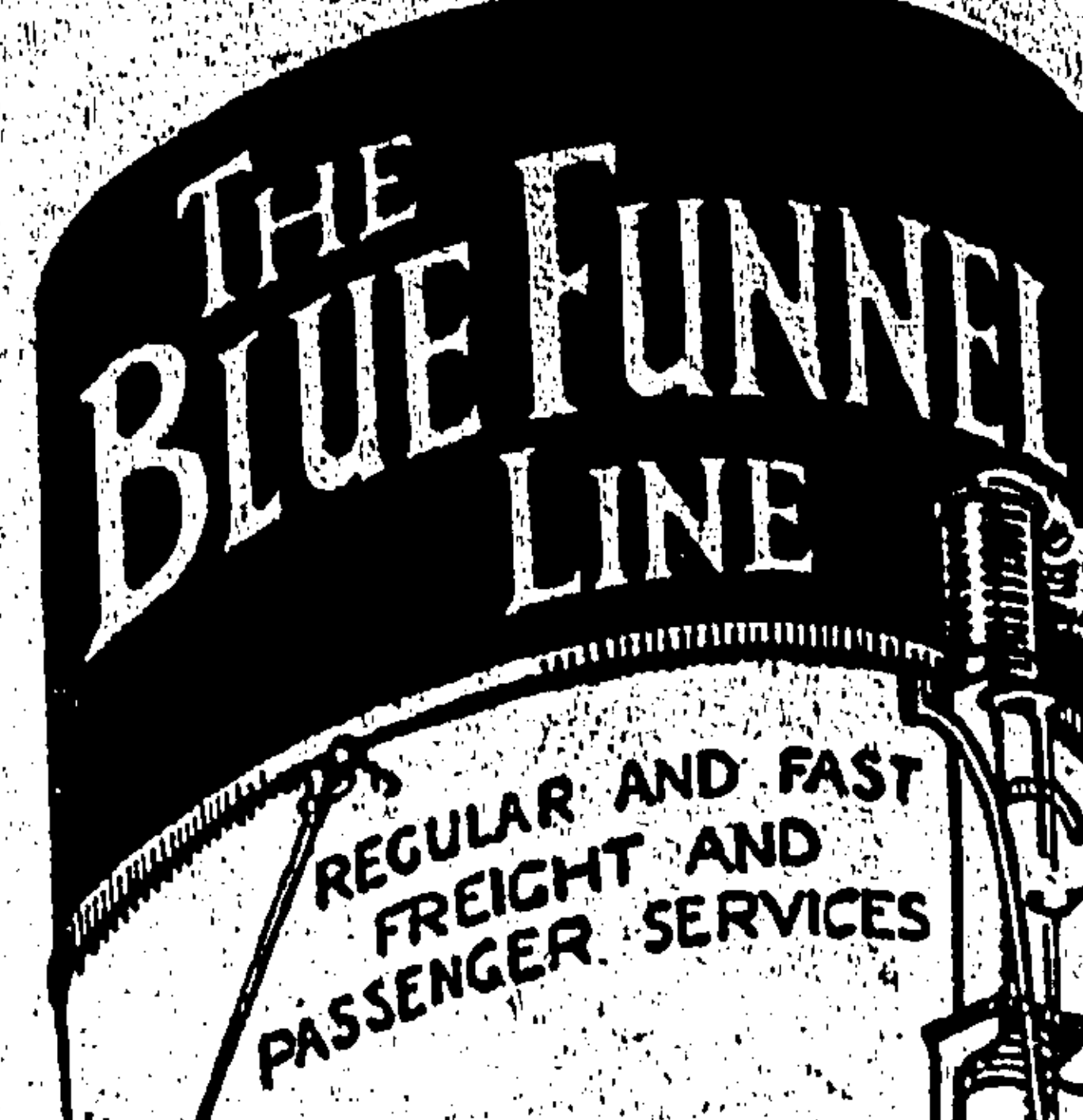
The Gunners kicked off, and immediately attacked, but Lyons was able to clear, to send the Corps away on the right, where Twelves passed to Cole, who shot past the upright, as did Corbesley a minute later, Lyons was prominent later in saving and clearing from a sharp run on the wing by the Gunners.

After some end to end play, a clearance gave a run down for the Gunners, for whom Wilkins passed to Allen, who scored a good goal, with Hodson rather blinded by the sun's glare. A minute later, the same player scored again, the ball passing through the legs of Hodson in his attempt to save. A third goal came Allen's way soon afterwards, from a good pass by Wilkins. It must have been mentioned that Hodson was amongst the spectators just before the commencement of the game. Andrews being booked for the goal position. Morris, at left half, did not turn up, so Andrews took his place, and Hodson went in goal.

Bridgeman, Wilkins and Taylor got the ball in turn, the latter's shot going past the post. The Gunners definitely had all the game at this point, the Departmentals only occasionally making a raid into the Gunners' half. Half-time came with the Gunners leading by three goals to nil.

A free-kick following a corner enabled Twelves to shoot a pretty goal from a pass by Lyons. Twelves was injured unfortunately just afterwards, but, with ten men, the Departmentals played up with even more spirit than before. The Corps were always pressing at this point, and Corbesley got away on his own, beating both backs, and was joined by Lewis. A good goal was scored by the former. Lyons shot hard from a distance for the equaliser, but just missed the goal, and the Corps continued their pressure, and the Gunners' defence being worked very hard. At the other end, Allen sent in a shot which was partially cleared for a corner-kick. Some mid-field play then ensued, with both sides unable to get within shooting range.

Allen scored the fourth goal for the Gunners, the first shot being fisted away by Hodson, but trapped neatly by Allen, who drove in a rising shot that Hodson could not save.



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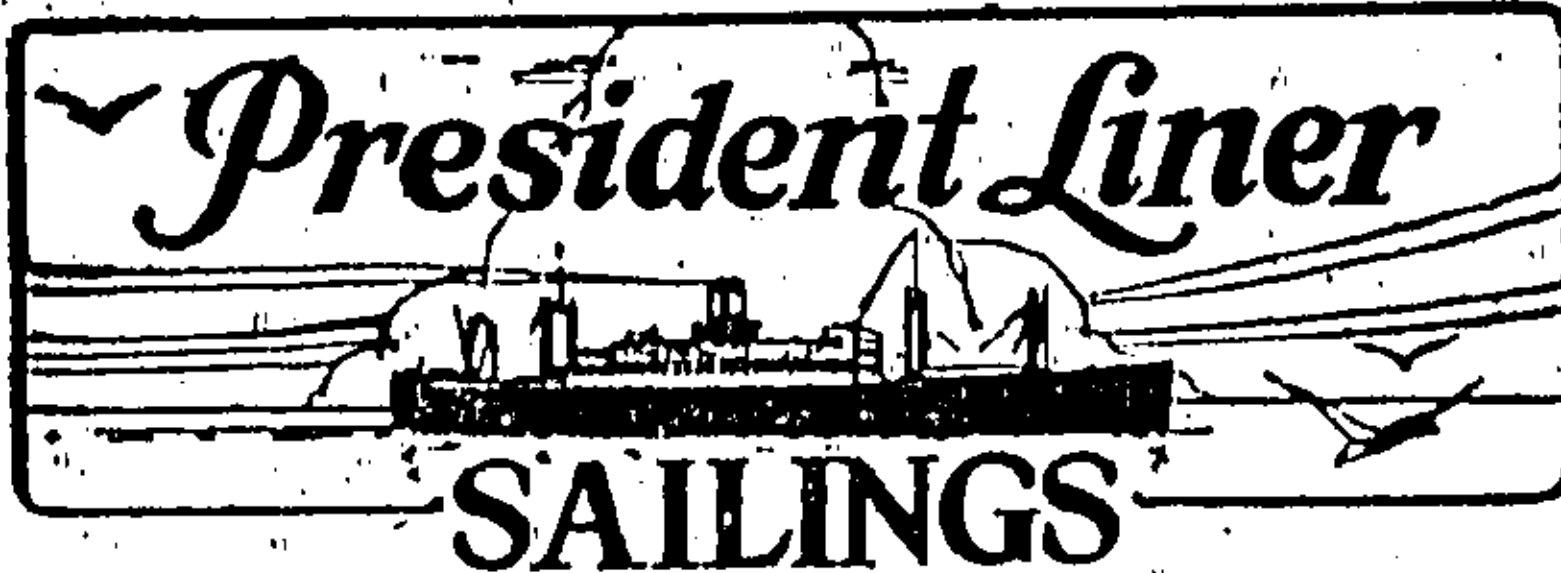
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All claims must be sent to the
undersigned before the Thursday, the
12th December, 1929, or they will not
be recognized.

Damaged packages must be left
in the Godowns for examination by
the consignees, and the Company's
Surveyor Messrs. Godard & Douglas
at 10.00 a.m. on Monday, the 9th
December, 1929.

No claims will be admitted after
the goods have left the Godowns.
No Fire Insurance will be effected
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L. LESDOS,
Agent.

Hongkong, 3rd December, 1929.

SWEDEN'S TRADE.

EXPORT SURPLUS FOR
1929

The September statistics show
that Sweden's total export during
the first nine months of the year
amounts to 1,288 million kroner
(\$71.66 millions) and the import
to 1,269 million kroner (\$70.5
millions), thus leaving an export

CANON STREETER DUE.

SERIES OF MEETINGS AND
ADDRESSES.

Canon B. H. Streeter, D.D., Fel-
low of the British Academy, and
one of Oxford's outstanding schol-
ars, and an author on religious
subjects with international re-
putation, is due to arrive in
Hongkong on Thursday 12th Dec.
On that date at 5.15 he hopes to
lecture at the Hongkong Univer-
sity on "International Questions
Arising out of the Pacific Con-
ference," and the meeting is open
to the general public.

On Friday at 5.15 p.m. it is
hoped that he will address an open
meeting at the Cathedral Hall on
"God, Pain and Immortality,"
and at 8.30 a Meeting for students
at St. John's Hall.

On Saturday he proceeds to
Canton and will return on the
following Friday to conduct a
Conference from 4.00 to 6.30 for
Ministers of Religion and Educa-
tionalists at the Cathedral Hall.
He leaves for England the follow-
ing day.

Canon Streeter originally pro-
posed to spend a longer time in
Hongkong, but on account of ill-
ness he has had to alter his plans.
A cable from Canon Streeter is
being awaited to confirm the
above arrangements; if any modi-
fication is necessary a notice will
be given in the papers.

surplus of 19 million kroner (\$1.06
millions) as against a total import
surplus for the corresponding
period of 1928 of 186 million kroner
(\$10.33 millions), primarily caused
by the extensive labour conflicts
during that year.

RADIO EXHIBITION.

SECOND DAY OF DISPLAY
IN CITY HALL.

Throughout the period of the
radio exhibition yesterday a con-
tinued stream of visitors flowed
into the rooms to inspect the radio
paraphernalia which is being dis-
played by various local dealers.
The exhibits attracted much in-
terest and were favourably com-
mented upon by the spectators.

During the evening musical
items were broadcast from the
studio, gramophone records being
received during the first hour.
From seven o'clock until 9.30 a
Chinese studio concert was broad-
cast while European enthusiasts
were entered for later in the
evening when several well-known
local artists contributed towards
a concert of Western music.

Those taking part in the Euro-
pean programme were the string
octet of H.M.S. Hermes, Mrs. A.
Rendall, Mr. Li Chor-chi, Mr.
George Grimble, Mr. G. F. Long-
year, Mr. H. S. Yung, and Mr.
Hyde-Lay and the Musical Marau-
ders.

The Colony's initial radio ex-
hibition will be brought to a close
to-day when the exhibition will
commence from 2 p.m. until mid-
night. Included in the pro-
gramme for to-day is a Fancy
Dress radio dance in St. George's
Hall, prizes for best dresses and
spot waltzes being presented.
The latest Dance music will be
broadcast from "somewhere in
Hongkong" by the "Semreh"
Dance Band. The reproduction
will be by Messrs. Moutrie.

Earlier in the evening a Chil-
dren's programme will be given
by Aunt Joan, Uncle Dick and
Uncle Jeff, commencing from 5
o'clock.

The proceeds of the exhibition
will be devoted to the funds for
the provision of broadcast pro-
grammes for Z B W.

THE LEAGUE COUNCIL.

MEETING TO BE HELD ON
JANUARY 13.

London, Dec. 6.
The Foreign Office has been in-
formed by the League of Nations
Secretariat that the League
Council meeting has been fixed for
January 13 instead of January 20.
This change of plan has followed
as a result of Signor Grandi's re-
presentations that Italy's con-
veniences would be met by antici-
pating the meeting of the League
Council, so that it would not over-
lap the meeting in London of the
Five Power Naval Conference due
to open on January 21.

The Foreign Secretary, Mr.
Henderson, will attend the League
Council as the British representa-
tive.—British Wireless.

BRITAIN AND RUSSIA.

BRITISH AMBASSADOR TO
LEAVE TO-DAY.

London, Dec. 6.
Sir Esmond Over, the newly-
appointed British Ambassador to
the Union of Socialist Soviet Re-
publics, is expected to leave for
his post to-morrow, and Monsieur
Sokolnikoff, the newly appointed
Soviet Ambassador to London, is
reported to have left Warsaw
last night en route for England.
—British Wireless.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per s.s. Rawalpindi from Shanghai
and Japan on Dec. 6.—Mr. G. Aben-
dano, Mr. A. Mitchell, Mrs. M. Var-
dano, Miss R. Scott-Findley, Mr. J.
Harley, Miss Hickson, Mr. and Mrs.
Enstrom, Mr. Fry, Sir R.
Threlfall, Miss Threlfall, Mr. and Mrs.
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son, Mrs. J. Moss, Misses Moss, Mr. H.
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Morcom, Mr. D. Dunn, Mr. M. Dening,
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Mr. Crawford Martin, Mr. G. Nicholl,
Mr. H. Tobias, Mr. J. Brown, Mr. and
Mrs. Steed, Mrs. T. Livanova, Mr. E.
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livan, Mrs. R. Bourstein, Mr. S.
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Hollen, Mr. N. Liveney, Mr. R. Lach-
lan, Lt. Col. and Mrs. Noel, Gen. and
Mrs. Portal, Mr. H. Fox, Mr. L. Boyd,
Mr. and Mrs. MacFarlane, Mr. H.
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DRAMATIC ACQUITTAL.

NEW YORK BOOKMAKER ON
MURDER CHARGE.

New York, Dec. 6.

A dramatic acquittal of the book-
maker, George McManus, charged
with murdering his notorious
racketeer associate, Rothstein, in
November last year, ends the cause
celebre which has affected the
city's politics and cost the Police
Commissioner and a number of
senior police officers their jobs.

The hearing had proceeded for
thirteen days. The case for the
prosecution depended on circum-
stantial evidence whose value was
lessened by witnesses' refusal to
substantiate in the witness-box
what they had averred secretly.

The Judge intervened, and ordered
the jury to return a verdict of
acquittal.—Reuter's American Ser-
vice.

THE DEATH SENTENCE.

COMMITTEE TO ENQUIRE AS
TO POSSIBLE REFORM.

London, Dec. 6.

The House of Commons has
agreed to set up a Select Com-
mittee to consider the question of
capital punishment in cases tried
by civil courts in time of peace,
and to report whether another
penalty, and if so of what nature,
should be substituted for the sen-
tence of death in such cases where
that sentence is now prescribed
by law.—British Wireless.

SHANGHAI STATUS.

THE INVITATION TO MR.
FEETHAM.

Shanghai, Dec. 6.

The Shanghai Municipal Council
in a memorandum explaining the
invitation to Mr. Justice Feetham
state that they fully appreciate
the important relation between the
policy of extrajudicial and the com-
plicated problem of the future
status of Shanghai during the
transition period before such
policy can become fully effective.

They desire to devise a con-
structive plan which will give
full consideration to the aspira-
tions of the Chinese, and at the
same time afford adequate pro-
tection for the great foreign and
commercial interests.

The Council is willing to take
the lead in formulating such a
scheme, and wishing to obviate
an impression of prejudice which
might attach to purely local
suggestions, decided to secure
entirely disinterested and open-
minded advice of a high order.
The invitation was extended to
Mr. Feetham by a unanimous vote
of the Council, including the
Chinese members.

The Council express gratitude
to Mr. Hertzog for his prompt
acquiescence in granting Mr.
Feetham leave of absence.—
Reuter.

GALE AT HOME.

DUBLIN FISHERMEN
DROWNED.

London, Dec. 6.

Three Dublin fishermen were
drowned yesterday within five
hundred yards of Dublin during
the storm.

The wind reached its greatest
velocity at Falmouth, where gusts
of ninety-four miles an hour were
registered. Air, steamboat, and
railway services were in varying
degree interrupted by the storm,
and telephone communication was
disrupted.

Although no town was isolated,
128 main trunk lines were out of
order and one thousand London
subscribers' lines were down.
Many roadways were temporarily
submerged.

The flood position in Thames
Valley is being watched with some
anxiety. The river rose further
yesterday, and its level is expected
to be higher to-day.—British Wire-
less.

RADIO PROGRAMME.

BROADCAST MUSIC FOR THE
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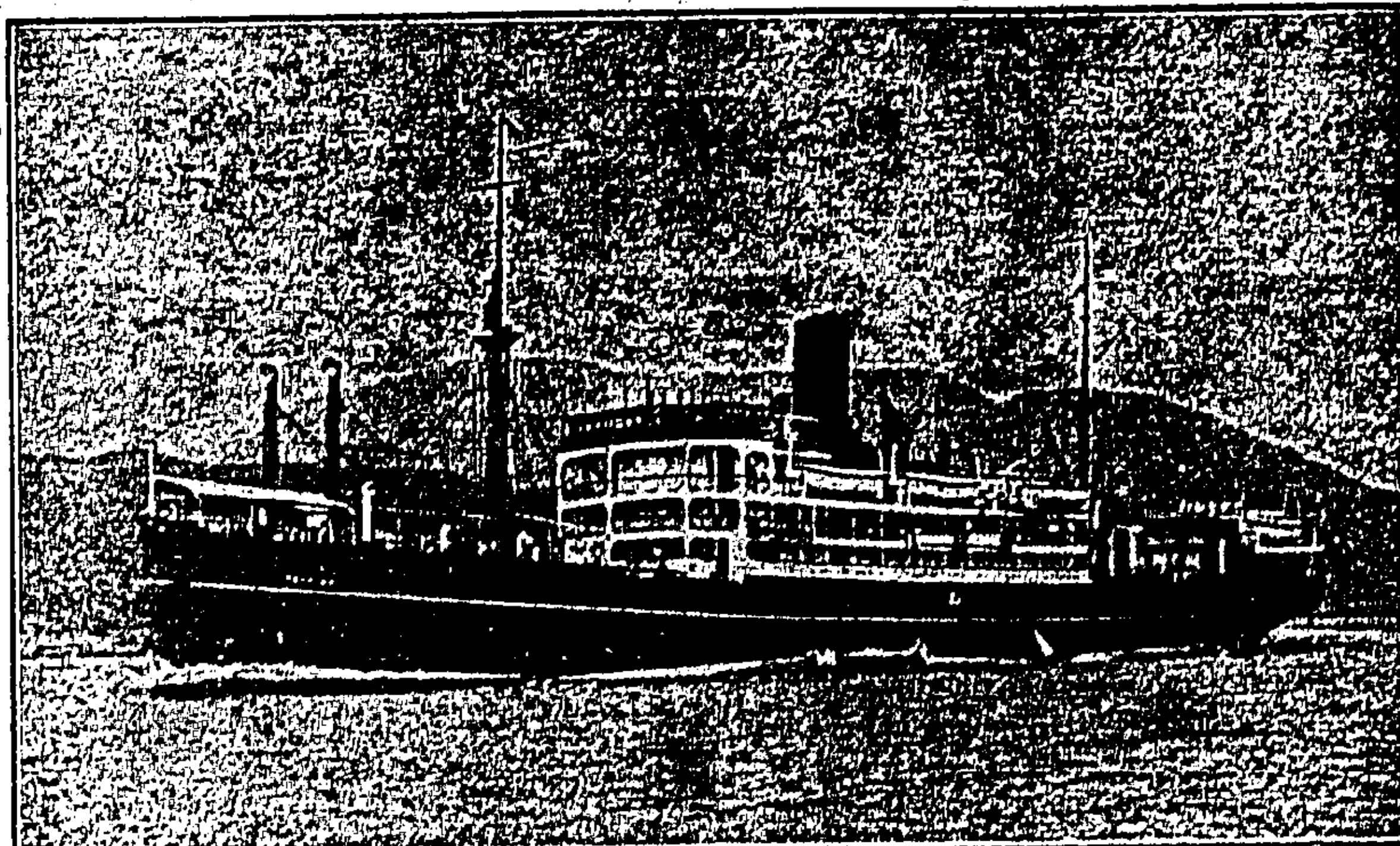
11.00-11.30 a.m. Commercial news.
12.00-1.00 p.m. Demonstration pro-
gramme of Chinese and European
records.
2.00-5.00 p.m. Demonstration pro-
gramme of Chinese and European
records.
5.00-6.00 p.m. Children's pro-
gramme.
Aunt Joan, Uncle Dick and Uncle
Jeff will entertain the "Kiddies."
6.00-8.30 p.m. Demonstration pro-
gramme of Chinese and European
records.
9.00 p.m. to Midnight Dance pro-
gramme.
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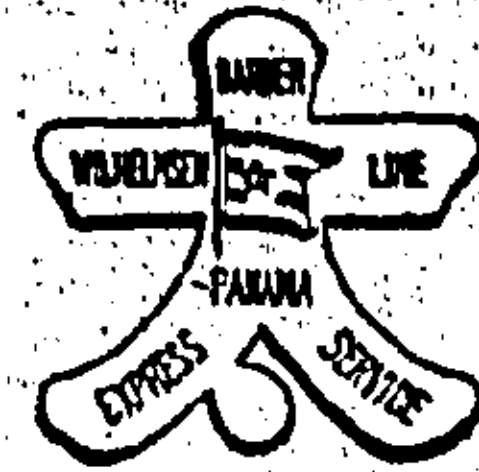


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TALAMBA	8,018	3rd Jan.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
TAKADA	6,949	14th Jan.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
TALMA	10,000	28th Jan.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
*Calle Rangoon			

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TAKADA	6,949	24th Dec.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
MAINTUA	10,946	3rd Jan.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yoko
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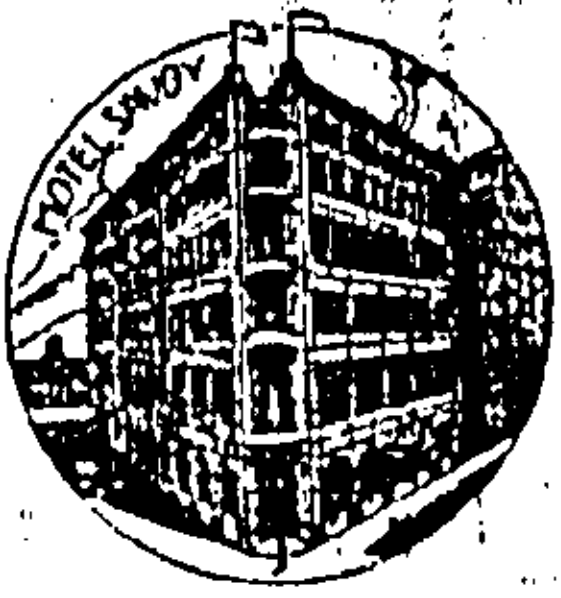
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VALUE OF LONDON'S TRANSPORT.

GOVERNMENT APPOINTS A
LEADING EXPERT.

PUBLIC CONTROL PLAN.

London, Dec. 6.
Sir William McLintock, the
prominent Glasgow Chartered
Accountant, has been appointed to
advise the Government in their in-
quiries on the scheme for the
public control and co-ordination
of London's passenger transport.

His duties will be to estimate the
value of London's passenger traffic
undertakings which is generally
estimated at over one hundred
millions sterling.

Sir William McLintock will as-
certain the financial possibilities
and the liabilities of all the com-
panies concerned and will report
to the Transport Minister.

It is probable the work will
take a considerable time, but the
Transport Minister has indicated
that the Government contemplate
no further action until a thorough
investigation of the financial
aspect of the scheme has been
completed.

Sir William McLintock is a lead-
ing expert in his particular field.
He was a Member of the Royal
Commission on Income Tax, served
on the National Debt and Taxation
Committee, and on the Company
Law and Unemployment Insurance
Committees.—*British Wireless.*

AUSTRALIAN COAL DISPUTE.

ALL HOPE OF IMMEDIATE
PEACE GONE.

CESSNOCK ADAMANT.

Sydney, Dec. 6.
Following the lead of the Kurri-
Kurri miners, the Cessnock group
have overwhelmingly rejected the
terms of the coal dispute "settle-
ment."

This decision removes all hope
of immediate peace, but it is
gratifying to note that spokesmen
for and against the settlement were
agreed that a general strike would
be disastrous.—*Reuter.*

An earlier message stated: "Sydney, Dec. 6.

There has been an ominous
development in the New South
Wales coal dispute, which it was
hoped had been settled along the
lines agreed to by the conference
of owners and miners' leaders
summoned by the Prime Minister,
Mr. Scullin, on November 23,
after a prolonged stoppage.

The settlement was based on a
wage reduction of 12½ per cent.
in the case of contract workers,
and sixpence a day for day
labourers and it was believed
there was to be a meeting of
miners to ratify the agreement
and that work would be resumed
this week. A mass meeting at
one of the most important centres,
Kurri-Kurri, yesterday, however,
rejected the terms of the settle-
ment, and it is expected that
other centres will follow Kurri-
Kurri's lead.—*Reuter.*

DANGEROUS TRADE REGULATIONS.

WOMEN WORKERS MUST GET
PERMISSION.

The Industrial Employment of
Women, Young Persons and
Children Ordinance has been
amended by the addition of the
following to the list of dangerous
trade:—Lead processes and ver-
milion manufacture.

The following new regulations
have been made:

"2A.—No person shall employ
any women in any dangerous
trade without the written permis-
sion of the Protector of Labour.

"10A.—No women or young
person shall be employed in any
industrial undertaking between 10
p.m. and 6 a.m."

TENDERS ACCEPTED.

FOR COAL AND PRISON
RATIONS.

The Gazette notified the accep-
tance of the following tenders:
Lee Hing Motor Transport Co.,
Ltd., for the supply of coal during
1930 at the following prices:—

per ton.
Household (Karatun) \$15.30
Launchees (Shantung) 12.30
Launchees (Hokokai) 12.15
Pumping Stations (Dishagargh) 13.60
Hongay Screened 21.34
Hongay Unscreened 20.00

Messrs. Yee Sang Loong of 19,
Hollywood Road, for the supply
of Indian Prison Staff, at 21 cents
per ration.

FATHER KREUTZEN IN HANKOW.

SAYS HUPEH COMMUNISTS ARE
VERY STRONG.

TOOLS OF MOSCOW.

Hankow, Dec. 6.
Father Kreutzen arrived here
this morning in good health and
spirits, despite his three weeks'
captivity.

He states that the Communists
in South-East Hupeh comprise a
very strong organisation with con-
nections all along the river and
with headquarters in Hankow.

A number of the Communist
leaders who were educated abroad
have thoroughly inculcated Soviet
doctrines among the countryfolk in
the surrounding districts.

On the whole, the captive was
not too badly treated, though the
food allowance was most meagre.

The greatest credit is due to
Father Connaughton, whose in-
timate knowledge of the Chinese
mentality enabled him, by threats
and cajolery, to effect his con-
fere's release.—*Reuter.*

RUBBER PROBLEM SUGGESTIONS.

DUTCH DIRECTOR MAKES
THREE PROPOSALS.

CO-OPERATION NEED.

Amsterdam, Dec. 6.
The Handelsblad publishes a let-
ter from Heer Roelofsma, a Direc-
tor of the Tapanoe Company of
Rotterdam, to the Minister for the
Colonies, in which he makes the
following suggestions on the rub-
ber problem:

1.—Prohibition of the extension
of European and native rubber
plantations.

2.—Prohibition of rubber tap-
ping on Sundays (on Fridays in
Mohammedan districts).

3.—The retention of lower grade
rubber from European enterprises
by a mutual "gentlemen's agree-
ment."

Heer Roelofsma concludes by
expressing the opinion that Gov-
ernment intervention will alone
safeguard rubber-growing; there-
fore, he recommends co-operation
between the British and Dutch
Governments and rubber-growers.
—*Reuter.*

GARRISON NEWS.

SAMOAN DANCERS AT NAVAL
THEATRE.

The Royal Naval Theatre was
well filled last night when the
Samoans danced and sang from
8.30 to 10.45. The programme of
forty-two turns, too long to de-
scribe in detail, was much ap-
preciated and rounds of applause
followed by encores were the order
after each turn.

Service Men should not miss
seeing these artists. They con-
tinue at the R.N. Theatre to-night
and are booked for Hankow Bar-
racks on Monday night.

THE NEW U.S. WAR SECRETARY.

MR. P. J. HURLEY GETS
APPOINTMENT.

Washington, Dec. 6.
Mr. P. J. Hurley has been ap-
pointed to succeed the late Mr.
James W. W. Good as Secretary for
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AT THE **QUEEN'S** FINAL SHOWINGS TO-DAY
At 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.20.

FIGHTING CLOSE TO CANTON.

(Continued from Page 1.)

population opinion is very divided:

One noticeable thing is that
there has not been the usual
exodus of civilians to Hongkong
which usually occurs when any
danger threatens in Canton.
Business also is going on as usual,
that is to say amongst the retail
shops. Most of the general South
China produce treated in Canton
for export is being held up in the
country.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

\$50,000 on Chang Fat-kwei's Head.

Canton, Dec. 6.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has
issued circulars addressed to the
subordinates of General Chang
Fat-kwei calling on them to pledge
their loyalty to the Central Gov-
ernment on the following terms:

A reward of \$50,000 will be paid
to those who hand over Chang
Fat-kwei either alive or dead.

Officers who surrender will be
promoted one grade.

A month's salary will be paid
to soldiers who surrender.

\$20 will be given to those who
surrender with a gun.

\$1,000 will be given to those
who surrender with a cannon.

It is reported that 60,000 of

these circulars have been dropped
by aeroplanes among the Ironsides.

Testing Field-guns.

Considerable alarm was felt on
Wednesday at noon by the people
residing on the northern section
of the city, when they heard the
sound of artillery, which appeared
to them to come from only a short
distance away. The rumour soon
spread to the city that fighting was
taking place near the White Cloud
Mountain.

Investigation by our representa-
tive disclosed the fact that cannon-
fire heard by the residents was due
to the testing of field guns on the
parade ground, which is in the
north eastern suburb of the
city.—*Canton News Agency.*

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